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Fellowship, Inspiration, Information Are Evangelistic Conference Features

They were there from Byhalia to Biloxi, from Vicksburg to Vestry, from McIvor to Millard and a good time was had by all, who attended the Mississippi Baptist Evangelistic Conference.

Although the meeting place, Gulfport, was at the southern end of the state, all Mississippi was represented and the attendance was beyond expectations.

Featured by fine fellowship, inspiring and informing addresses, the 1950 Conference at least equalled, and many say excelled, any previous conference. Out-of-state speakers were at their best and so were the home talent speakers. All seemed to have one central theme, CHRIST IS THE ANSWER. Methods were explained, the Master was exalted and confessions made all with one idea uppermost, that God should be honored and souls won for Him.

Dr. Carlyle Marney, pastor of the First Church, Austin, Texas, and Dr. C. Y. Dossey, Assistant Secretary of Evangelism, Home Mission Board were the out-of-state speakers. Each one was at his best. Though different in style, both supplemented the other.

Dr. Marney gave himself largely to preaching. And though his audiences were largely preachers, he knew and they knew that they needed to be preached to. And he did just that. Many were the tears shed and many

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REV. R. A. MORRIS

Rev. R. A. Morris, pastor of the First Church, Newton, will speak on "How May We Know We Are Saved?" on the Mississippi Radio Hour on March 12. He will be heard over the following stations: at 8 a. m. over WHBQ, Memphis; WRBC, Jackson; WRJW, Picayune, and at 2 p. m. over WSLI, Jackson.

"I should like to extend to Sunday School workers throughout Mississippi a cordial invitation to be our guests at the State Sunday School Convention in our church March 14-15. Our people, as well as those of the Calvary Church, are looking happily forward to your visit and we believe you will enjoy both the Convention and Greenwood."—Dr. J. H. Kyzar, First Baptist Church, Greenwood.

Executive Committee Names Study Groups

The Executive Committee met in the Baptist Building March 6-7 with the following members present: Dr. J. D. Ray, Chairman, Rev. M. D. Morton, Rev. Wayne Alliston, H. A. Scott, Rev. W. L. Meadows, Rev. H. H. Aultman, Dr. J. W. Landrum, Associate Secretary Dr. W. P. Davis and Treasurer J. E. Lane also attended the meeting.

Important actions of the Committee included: Adoption of a vacation schedule for Board employees; appointment of committees (1) to study Baptist Record contracts, (2) to adjust the salary schedule, (3) to act as advisors to the treasurer and (4) to advise concerning personnel.

Effective as of July 1, 1949, one day of vacation will be given for each month of service and will be taken at times agreed upon between the employee and the Department head.

Salary schedules were adjusted after study by the committee. The aim of the Committee was to provide equal pay for equal work and responsibility.

The advisory committee will be subject to the call of the Treasurer for advice on any problem he cares to present to them.

The personnel committee will study the work and workers at Baptist Headquarters and make needed recommendations.

Effective November 1, 1950, sixty-five is the retirement age for men and sixty for women employees of the Convention Board. After conference, at least thirty days prior to retirement age, Department heads may be employed beyond the retirement age.

'FREEDOM'S HOLY LIGHT' TO BE CONVENTION THEME

Program Will Dramatize Soul Liberty CONVENTION SESSIONS WILL BE MAY 9-12, 1950



DR. C. Y. DOSSEY

HERE'S THE KNOW HOW—Shown above is Dr. C. Y. Dossey, Assistant Secretary of Evangelism of the Home Mission Board, outlining plans for the Simultaneous Evangelistic Campaign. Dr. Dossey holds in his hand the book, SOUTHERN BAPTIST PROGRAM OF EVANGELISM, and is saying, "This book gives full directions for promoting every phase of an evangelistic campaign during the Simultaneous Evangelistic Crusade. Also available upon request from Baptist headquarters is 'Christ's Soul Winning Commandment and Our Response' which outlines in brief form all the material discussed in the large book referred to by Dr. Dossey.

Group of Finns Await "End of World", Teacher Resigns Job, Gives Away Property

HELSINKI—(RNS)—Persuaded by the prophecies of an 18-year-old girl who preaches in her sleep that the end of the world is imminent, a number of persons in and near the town of Jyvaskyla have sold or given away their possessions, quit their jobs, and settled down to await the end.

Clergymen of the State Lutheran Church insist that the number of people convinced by Salli Salokangas, the preacher, is small and have declared the girl is suffering from mental illness. They recalled that when she visited a Bible institute in Gran-

kulla year ago, an effort was made to remove her "religious hysteria."

Nevertheless, when Salli visited the little community of Nyroka, near Jyvaskyla, just before Christmas, up to 500 people from near and far came by car, skis or on foot to hear her preach at meetings in the local school house.

Before each meeting, the girl went to bed about eight o'clock in the evening and when she had fallen asleep was carried, bed and all, into the school house. After hymns had been sung, the girl reportedly began to speak in her sleep announcing that the end of the world was near, and it was "time to get ready."

Some local residents have been stirred by Salli's warnings to the point of selling their possessions and giving up their jobs. But others have declared that her prophecies called

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of Texas entitled, "The Lights of Home." Prior to the address two reports will be heard; Executive Committee Report on Promotion; and the Christian Home Report.

Mrs. H. G. Colwell, president of the Northern Baptist Convention, will bring a fraternal message at the Thursday morning session. Fifteen minute reports on the American, New Orleans, Southwestern and Southern Seminaries, will be made by Dr. L. S. Sedberry, Dr. Roland Q. Leavell, Dr. E. D. Head and Dr. Ellis A. Fuller. The Sunday School Board report will also be given at this session. An address by Dr. E. D. Head on "Christian and Ministerial Education" and by Dr. Robert Naylor of South Carolina on "Light for Dark Places" will conclude the morning program.

In the afternoon the following committees will report: Committee on Church Organization; Relief and Annuity Board; Committee on Calendar of Denomination Activities; the Radio Commission. The election of officers and a memorial service led by Dr. M. E. Dodd is scheduled for this session. The closing address of the afternoon will be delivered by Rev. Lewis Hancock of Texas. His subject will be "Burning and Shining Lights."

Home Missions and the Simultaneous Evangelistic Crusade will feature the Thursday evening session.

The Home Mission report will be in charge of Dr. J. B. Lawrence and Dr. C. E. Matthews, Superintendent of Evangelism, Home Mission Board, will discuss the Simultaneous Evangelistic Crusade. Mrs. George R. Martin, W. M. U. president, will give the report for the W. M. U. and Lawson H. Cooke, executive secretary of the Southwide Brotherhood will report for his organization.

Friday morning's session will hear reports on the Southern Baptist Hospital by Frank Tripp, administrator; Report of Committee on Committees; Report of Committee on Boards by Dr. John L. Waldrop of Georgia; Report of Committee on Time, Place and Preacher; Report of Committee on Resolutions; Report of Committee on Baptist Papers by A. L. Goodrich; Baptist Foundation Report by Dr. Charles H. Bolton, Foundation Secretary; American Bible Society by Rev. Thos. T. Holloway.

Also scheduled for the Friday morning session are addresses by Major General Roy F. Parker, Chief of Chaplains on The Chaplain's Commission and by Dr. Marshall Craig of Texas on "Revelation's Light Ray."

Two addresses will feature the Friday afternoon session. They are "Negro Ministerial Education" by Dr. Benjamin E. Mays, president, Morehouse College, Atlanta and "To Give the Light of the Knowledge of the Glory of God in the Face of Jesus Christ" by Dr. John W. Raley of Oklahoma. Other items on the Friday afternoon program are: Historical Society Report by Dr. W. O. Carver; Education Commission by Dr. Charles D. Johnson, Texas.

The closing session on Friday evening will be an evangelistic service under the joint direction of Dr. C. E. Matthews and Chicago churches. There will be two sermons, one by Dr. J. H. Jackson, pastor, Olivet Baptist Church, Chicago, and one by Dr. R. G. Lee, pastor of Bellevue Baptist Church, Memphis, and president of the Southern Baptist Convention.

WESTERN UNION

KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE

EDITOR, THE BAPTIST RECORD
JACKSON, MISS.

THE BAPTIST HOUR FACES ACUTE FINANCIAL EMERGENCY STOP WE APPEAL FOR IMMEDIATE SUPPORT IN SOME AMOUNT FROM EVERY INDIVIDUAL BAPTIST TO BE MAILED TO THE BAPTIST HOUR ATLANTA GEORGIA STOP HELP TO CONTINUE THIS RADIO MINISTRY WHICH BLESSES MILLIONS EVERY SUNDAY AFTERNOON STOP WILL THANK YOU TO PUBLISH THIS IN YOUR EARLIEST ISSUE.

RAMSAY POLLARD CHAIRMAN
THE RADIO COMMISSION SBC

FELLOWSHIP, INSPIRATION,
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the vows made. Many Mississippi churches are going to see a change for the better in their pastors.

Dr. Dossey made the Simultaneous Evangelistic Campaign the main theme of his addresses. He laid the burden of lost souls on the hearts of his hearers and then in language as pure as the dew and as tender as a tear showed his hearers how they could have a large and lasting share in helping win some of the yet unsaved multitudes.

Just as earnest and just as appealing were the addresses of the Mississippians who shared the program with Dr. Marney and Dr. Dossey. Among them were: Rev. Vernon May, Rev. A. L. Chumbley, Rev. S. W. Valentine, Dr. Wilbern Lawrence, Dr. W. Landon Miller, R. M. Sumrall, Rev. M. S. Riley, Dr. W. C. Tyler, Rev. W. L. Meadows, Dr. N. W. Cox, Rev. Robert L. Palmer, Dr. Judson Chastain, Dr. T. R. McKibben, Dr. W. A. Keel, Rev. Dan Patch, Dr. I. E. Rouse, Dr. David Byrd, Dr. Charles McKay, Rev. W. L. Clark, Dr. J. S. Riser, Jr.

Space prevents extended quotations from the various speakers but below we give a few pertinent quotes:

Dr. Wilbern Lawrence, "Not all can be chairman of the Board of Deacons, but all can serve somewhere. Your responsibility is five-fold, (1) God depends on you, (2) the world depends on you, (3) Prove to the world that you are a minister, (4) you should reflect Christ, (5) Preach the book for the world wants a divine Christ, not a watered down character."

Said Dr. Marney, "The greatest thing John the Baptist ever said was, 'Behold'—God forgives sin but the scars stay—it has been 500 years since any religion advanced except Christianity—the world is waiting for Jesus, but until the sons of God unto the sons of the world are manifest the wait will continue."

"Last year," said Dr. Dossey, "5000 churches in the Southern Baptist Convention had no baptisms and that is tragedy in any language—we laugh about country churches that think they can't have a revival meeting except the last week in July but what about the city churches that think they can't have a meeting in the

CHESTER QUARLES ELECTED EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Reverend Chester Quarles, pastor of the First Church, Sylacauga, Alabama, was elected Executive Secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board at a call meeting of the Board on Tuesday, March 7.

Mr. Quarles, a native of Gulfport, is well known in Mississippi, having served as pastor at Leland before going to his present Alabama pastorate.

Prior to coming to Leland, Mr. Quarles was Associate Training Union Secretary and before that was Alabama Training Union and B. S. U. Secretary. He is now president of the Alabama State Mission Board and a member of the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee.

Mr. Quarles is a graduate of Howard College in Alabama and of the Southern Seminary.

Mrs. Quarles is the former Miss Virginia Cooper, daughter of Dr. W. R. Cooper, former pastor at Tylertown and now retired and living at Jackson. There are three children.

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for the end of the world at midnight sometime between Christmas and New Year's Day, and the time for fulfillment has now gone by.

Among those who took Sallie's prophecies seriously was a 25-year-old teacher, Tapio Nykanen, who gave away all he owned, resigned his position, and then moved to southern Finland to await the end of the world. He has since written to one of his former students that he is starving and has trouble keeping a roof over his head while he awaits "the end."

(Editor's Note: We publish the above not because we believe in it, but to show how foolish some people are.)

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"WE CANNOT ALWAYS REMAIN astraddle the fence. There is a decisive area at the very center of life where a choice must be made."—W. Boyd Hunt, The Sunday School Builder.



DR. CARLYLE MARNEY

SHOWN ABOVE is Dr. Carlyle Marney, pastor of the First Church, Austin, Texas, who was one of the featured speakers at the Evangelistic Conference at Gulfport. No speaker in recent years has done more effective speaking than did Dr. Marney.

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BLUE MOUNTAIN, MISS., MARCH 2— Maurine Sparkman, Pine Bluff, Ark., junior at Blue Mountain College, has been selected to serve as student missionary, representing Baptist students of Mississippi either in Hawaii or California next summer. Expenses were raised in a campaign among friends and college students in the state. Miss Sparkman was chosen at a meeting of representatives from nearly all of the colleges in Mississippi at the student union headquarters in Jackson.

spring—many preachers are preaching sermons to Christianettes in revivals (a one week meeting)—the devil is mad and will do anything he can to get us off the main trail which is lost souls—the only thing I like about the devil is that he is always on the job.

First Church, Jackson, Dr. W. Douglass Hudgins, pastor, will be host to the 1950 Evangelistic Conference. The dates are January 30–February 2.

Mississippi Baptists—Your Secretary Says:
"Love Never Fails." I Corinthians 13:8

By William P. Davis
 (Executive Secretary Ad Interim)
CHRIST'S MISSIONARY

COMMANDMENT AND OUR RESPONSE
 Forty days after the resurrection, Jesus gave His great Missionary Commandment. His Commandment was: "GO YE INTO ALL THE WORLD AND PREACH THE GOSPEL TO EVERY CREATURE." In it He set forth His missionary purpose for the whole earth in all the ages by demanding:

1. A WORLD-WIDE ADVANCE—ALL NATIONS.

2. ONE SPECIFIC PURPOSE—MAKING DISCIPLES OF ALL NATIONS.

3. ONLY ONE WAY OF SAVING LOST SINNERS IN ALL NATIONS—CHRIST CRUCIFIED; CHRIST RAISED FROM THE DEAD; REPENTANCE UNTO THE REMISSION OF SIN.

4. REDEEMED HUMANITY DOING THE JOB.

5. A COOPERATIVE ENTERPRISE—"LO, I AM WITH YOU."

Doing the job is the divinely given task of every Christian. This is the task of Mississippi Baptists and of Southern Baptists. How are Mississippi Baptists doing it?

I. THROUGH THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM, Mississippi Baptists are cooperating with 21 State Conventions in soul-winning, in Christian education, in providing food and shelter for homeless children, for the aged and helpless and hospitals for the sick and afflicted.

II. THROUGH THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM, each of the 366,000 members of our 1600 churches in our 74 associations has a share in building the Gallatin Highway, the highway of salvation, into all the world.

III. THROUGH THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM, each cooperating Baptist in Mississippi has a share in the State Mission Budget which includes:

1. Church Building	
Evangelism	\$ 40,000.00
2. Negro Work	13,500.00
3. Indian Work	2,000.00
4. Baptist Student Union	
Campus Work	13,000.00
5. Baptist Student Union Department	7,200.00
6. Sunday School Department	16,500.00
7. Baptist Training Union Department	15,500.00
8. Evangelistic Conference	1,500.00
9. Historical Society	300.00
10. Board Retirement Plan	33,387.00
Pastors Dues	
Widows Supplemental Plan	
Board Employees Dues Promotion	
11. Convention Expense	500.00
12. Board Meetings	4,000.00
13. State Mission Promotion and Tracts	3,000.00
14. Stewardship Conference	750.00
15. Institutional Work	4,750.00
16. Woman's Missionary Union Department	9,000.00
R. A. Worker	
Negro Worker	
Indian-Negro Youth Work	
Scholarships	
W. M. U. Camp Maintenance	
(\$19,500.00 from Cooperative Program)	
17. Pastoral Evangelism	16,000.00
18. Service Men's Aid	1,200.00
19. Brotherhood	10,000.00
20. Associational Missions	22,000.00
21. Preachers Bible School	1,000.00
22. Temperance	8,500.00
23. Associational Missionary Institute	300.00
24. Chinese Mission	1,200.00

25. Miscellaneous	2,800.00
26. Braille Evangel	100.00
27. Stewardship and Evangelism	5,600.00
28. Bible Teacher Copiah Lincoln Jr. College	450.00
29. Bible Teacher Perkinson Jr. College	180.00
30. Natchez College	750.00
31. Sanitorium	660.00

\$230,167.00

To this budget should be added \$27,066.54 to be paid out of State Mission Surplus and/or reserve. This amount was allocated as follows:

Jackson County Associational Missions	\$ 1,200.00
First Baptist Church of Starkville (College Center)	10,000.00
Immanuel Baptist Church, Hattiesburg (College Center)	5,000.00
Summit Baptist Church, Summit (College Center)	5,000.00
Wesson Baptist Church, Wesson (College Center)	5,000.00
Mississippi Baptist Seminary (Negro Seminary)	866.54

Total \$ 27,066.54

Total State Mission Budget \$257,233.54

IV. THROUGH THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM, every Baptist in Mississippi has a share in State Mission Work every time he makes an offering through his church. Every Cooperative Program dollar is distributed in the following manner:

State Causes	50%
Christian Education	20%
Mississippi College	35%
Blue Mountain College	25%
Clarke College	20%
Woman's College	20%
State Missions	20%
Baptist Hospital	1%
Ministerial Education	2%
Radio	1%
Baptist Foundation	1%
Baptist Orphanage	4%
Southwide and World-wide Causes	50%

Total 100%

V. THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM IS

MAKING IT POSSIBLE FOR EVERY COOPERATIVE BAPTIST IN MISSISSIPPI TO WIN THE LOST TO CHRIST THROUGH—

681 Foreign Missionaries	
741 Home Missionaries	
43 Mission Aid Pastors	
24 Associational Missionaries	
90 Building Aid Churches	
34 Full-time workers in Baptist Building	
15 Baptist Student Union Secretaries with our young people on college campuses.	

God is calling upon Mississippi Baptists to GO FAR BEYOND ALL PRESENT ATTAINMENT. He has set before us a PROGRAM OF ADVANCE in all Missions (Home, State, Foreign), Benevolence and Education. In response to this great call, Mississippi Baptists are joining with a mighty band of Southern Baptists in dividing the Cooperative Program Dollar "fifty-fifty in 1959"; that is, 50% of the Cooperative Program dollar is used at home for State Causes and 50% is distributed for World-wide Causes.

At the heart of our Cooperative Program is the heart of the Christ—a heart burning for:

THE SALVATION OF LOST HUMANITY.

THE DAILY GROWTH OF CHRIST-PEOPLE.

A WORLD IN WHICH THE KING-

**Betty Ruth Riley
 To Crystal Springs**



BETTY RUTH RILEY

Miss Betty Ruth Riley of New Hebron has accepted the position of Minister of Music with the First Church, Crystal Springs. She began her work March 1.

Miss Riley is a graduate of New Hebron High School and of MSCW, Columbus, where she received her B. A. degree in music with a major in voice.

During her sophomore year she was a paid soloist at the Jewish synagogue. She was student director of the Varsity Glee Club in her senior year and soloist for both Glee Clubs and was widely used in all the churches as guest soloist.

During the summer of 1947, Miss Riley was associated with Luther Harrison, State Music Director of Mississippi, and for the last two years has directed singing in numbers of revivals and for last seven months she has had a hymn singing program over the radio at Columbia.

She has been the music director of the New Hebron High School during last year.

Rev. M. D. Morton is the pastor of the church at Crystal Springs.

DOMS ARE BECOMING THE KINGDOM OF GOD.

EVERY BAPTIST IN MISSISSIPPI A TITHER.

EVERY BAPTIST IN MISSISSIPPI A COOPERATIVE BAPTIST.

MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS TO BE FAITHFUL UNTO DEATH FOR THE SAKE OF JESUS CHRIST.

What is my response?

A new day would dawn for Mississippi Baptists if the response of every heart might be—God, fulfill your plan for World Advance through me. When this commitment is made, 366,000 Baptists will give ONE MILLION DOLLARS to the Cause of Christ through the Cooperative Program.

His promise to us: "LO, I AM WITH YOU."

WHAT DO YOU OWE?

"What do you owe God, you ask? Suppose He sent this bill:

One hundred thousand dollars for the sun upon the hill;

Two thousand for the little brook that runs along the way;

Five hundred for the night time, and a thousand for the day.

Six hundred for the little birds that trill and chirp and sing;

Six hundred for the tiny flowers which tell us that it's Spring;

These are the bills which everyone of every clime forgets.

If God should charge you what you owe, you'd always be in debt."

—Marvin E. Hesse

L. D. Sellers Passes

Rev. L. D. Sellers, 60, passed away at Greenwood Leflore hospital on March 4. Funeral services were held on March 5 at the Pisgah Baptist Church near Carrollton and interment was in the Bethel Cemetery near Holcomb.

Mr. Sellers had served for 28 years as pastor of the Pisgah Church, the largest rural church in Carroll county. He was a member of the Carrollton Masonic Lodge and the Emory chapter at Black Hawk. The graveside service was in charge of the Masons. He had also served for many years as a member of the Baptist Convention Board.

He leaves his wife, Mrs. Modie Sellers, of Carrollton, six daughters, Mrs. Kathleen Tharp of Stewart, Mrs. Jack Taylor of Cleveland, Mrs. Lonnie Bell and Mrs. Louis Campbell, both of Phillip, Miss Martha Sellers and Miss Louise Sellers of Carrollton; two sons, Boyd and Stanley Sellers, both of Greenwood and two sisters, Mrs. Commodore Hill and Mrs. George Cunningham, both of Holcomb.

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**Ellinburg Resigns
 Mt. Olive Church**

Rev. W. D. Ellinburg has resigned at Mt. Olive Church, Carroll County in order to accept another pastorate. While leading the Mt. Olive Church as pastor, Mr. Ellinburg has done an outstanding work and led them forward in many ways and the people feel a sense of loss because of his resignation.

The church has adopted resolutions concerning his work and calling attention to his outstanding services, his Christian leadership, his business ability and the fine services rendered by his family.

The resolutions were signed by Mrs. Guy Erickson, clerk, and J. C. Winters, C. L. Shumate, W. M. Mimms, J. M. Cowart, J. M. Cowart, Jr., and Howard Cox.

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**More Stations Take
 Baptist Hour Records**

More and more non-ABC stations all over the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention are asking for records of the weekly Baptist Hour broadcasts.

During the past month the Radio Commission has been adding stations at the rate of about one every other day. There are now 157 stations broadcasting the Baptist Hour each Sunday. Of the 157, there are 61 stations taking the program every week by transcription. Almost all of these (54) are carried on a sustaining basis.

The Radio Commission has announced that regular recordings of all the Baptist Hour broadcasts are available to any stations that will schedule the program on a sustaining basis. The Commission has been anxious for some time to give every station desiring the programs an opportunity to have them. This objective has now been accomplished, and transcriptions will be sent without cost to any radio outlets requesting them.

Pastors or stations interested in this service may write, wire or phone the Radio Commission in Atlanta. Ask for Dupree Jordan, Assistant Director.

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Convention Program

The suggested order of business for the Southern Baptist Convention at Chicago May 9-12 has been released by Dr. H. H. Hobbs, chairman of the committee. The Convention theme is "Freedom's Holy Light." This is an appropriate theme and the subjects of the addresses listed seem to indicate that the speakers are going to tie their addresses to that worthy and challenging subject.

With so many subjects clamoring for attention and so little time for them, we congratulate the committee on a job well done. We doubt if any object got all the time it desired but it seems that all got a fair deal.

The speakers listed are a cross section of the best among Southern Baptists. Those who attend the Chicago convention have not "a treat" but "many treats" in store for them.

The Convention program will be found on another page.

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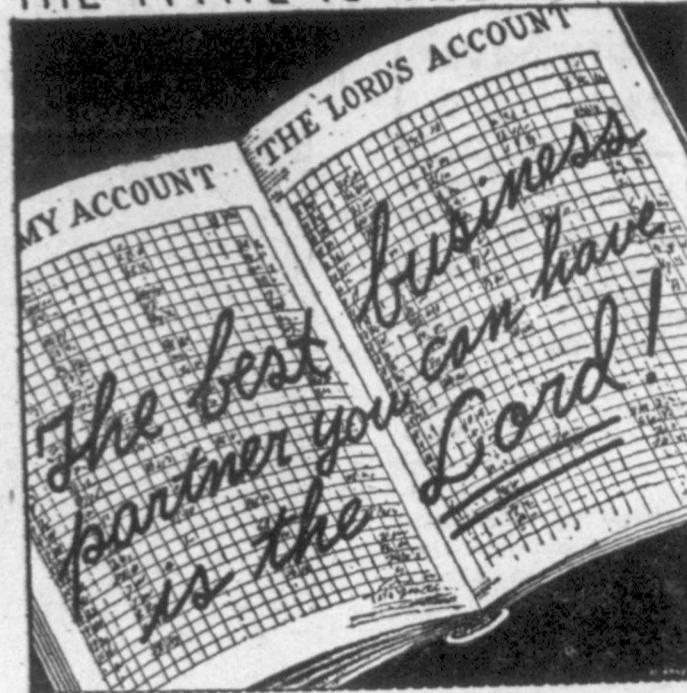
We Suggest

Below is reproduced a copy of a letter that we have written to Senator John C. Stennis and Senator Jim Eastland. We suggest that you do likewise and get as many others as you can to do likewise. The address of both Mississippi senators is Senate Office Building, Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator:

We see in the press that Mr. Drew Pearson reports that the President is appointing an Ambassador to the Vatican to take the place of Mr. Myron C. Taylor resigned. The great majority of your constituents have been greatly humiliated at seeing the widely published picture of Mr. Taylor in kneeling attitude before the Pope, which is an insult to our free gov-

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ernment.

We call your attention to Article II, Section II, Paragraph 2 of the Constitution which says (concerning the President): "He shall have power by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, to make treaties, provided two thirds of the Senators present concur; and he shall nominate, and by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, shall appoint ambassadors, other public ministers and consuls, etc."

We need not point out to you gentlemen who know the Constitution and the law that the appointment of Mr. Myron C. Taylor to the Vatican without the advice and consent of the Senate was an unlawful act.

Now we feel that you gentlemen, as members of the Senate, have a personal responsibility as well as an obligation to your constituency to use your influence immediately to prevent the sending of another Ambassador to the Vatican in this unlawful manner. We regard it as an insult and an act of usurpation of authority for the President to go over the heads of the Senators and violate the Constitution in this matter as Mr. Roosevelt did in appointing Mr. Taylor and as Mr. Truman has done in continuing his appointment.

Sincerely,
A. L. GOODRICH,
Editor
The Baptist Record

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Look Magazine Looks At Baptists

Every Baptist should take a look at the February 14 issue of Look Magazine, which devotes eight pages of pictures and reading matter to a story of Baptists in the United States. Most of the article is true to fact, but there is some discrepancy in the historical points. But we believe this to be unintentional. It does not affect

the main points of the article.

The author, Lewis W. Gillenson, staff writer for Look Magazine, shows a disposition to be fair in his presentation of the Baptists. He presents missions, rural and city churches, both north and south with a liberal sprinkling of photographs illustrating various forms of Baptist activities.

Unlike non-Southern writers, he gives the Baptists credit for "constructive work in the field of Negro relations." He also praises the Baptists for their evangelistic zeal and "down-to-earth approach and appeal to so many Americans." Continuing he says, "They resemble a swelling people's movement of fourteen million personal evangelists, marching down God's road trumpeting their message in language flavored for popular consumption. . . . Unfettered by centralized organization, slick theology or fancy liturgical fixings, Baptist churches, since pioneer days, have been popping up like flowers in the spring."

"Theirs, however, is not a subtle faith. They are bound by no creed, sacraments or required rituals. They preach an abiding faith in the individual's right to worship God as he pleases. For Baptists, the simple truth of the Word of God taken literally from Scripture is all the basic doctrine one needs."

Look points out that the history of Baptist growth is the history of the struggle against those who persecuted the fellowship for its free attitude toward worship. The author also points out that "Roger Williams carried the idea with him to Massachusetts, where the Puritans greeted its followers with the whipping post, the ducking stool and the gallows. Williams fled to Rhode Island and established America's first Baptist Church in Providence in 1639."

The article is also frank in stating the truth about persecution in Virginia, which in part is as follows: "In Virginia . . . dissenting

Baptists were tortured, imprisoned and fined. But in the end they won more converts than critics. In time, they became identified with the one big principle which they rightly claim is their gift to the United States—the doctrine of complete religious freedom."

Baptists are quite often knocked and criticized, we think without reason. Thus, it is refreshing to have non-Baptists recognize the contribution they have made in championing the cause of religious freedom.

We thank Look Magazine.

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The Evangelistic Conference

We doubt if any previous Evangelistic Conference exceeded the Conference held in Gulfport, February 28-March 3.

The program was well planned, with a special appeal for preachers, but many laymen and women were in attendance and were equally well blessed.

As a preacher we can assert that preachers as well as others need to have their own hearts warmed with the fires from God's altar—they need to feel that men are lost and unless they are saved by faith in Christ they are lost for ever and for ever. Preachers need to really understand the importance of preaching. They need to search the Scriptures together.

Many declared that they had never heard so many truly great sermons and messages in any one Conference. There were many high hours. Amens were frequent and tears sometime came. All present were challenged to either evangelize or be paganized.

The influence of this meeting is destined to reach the remotest areas of our state. Many of us are going to try to do better.

As we listened to the fine out-of-state speakers and the fine Mississippi speakers we were made to search our souls and often times found them delinquent in the all-important matter of personal soul-winning.

It doesn't take much grace to talk about soul-winning, but it takes a heap of grace and that of the most amazing kind to do something about it.

But let us remember that seeing the need of a revival and knowing the best methods of promoting a revival will not win the lost. We must go afield. We must plan for and promote special evangelistic services and meetings in every church and mission point throughout our land. If we will do that the result will be glorious. Souls will be saved and individual churches will be revived and revitalized and Christians themselves will live on higher ground.

Chicago Baptists Extend Warm Welcome SBC

CHICAGO, Ill. — (BP) — Northern Baptists and others in Chicago are organizing to give Southern Baptists a sincere fraternal welcome. Their plans include full support of the Friday evening evangelistic rally to be held in the Coliseum, according to Dr. Weldon M. Wilson, pastor, North Shore Baptist Church. The metropolitan area is being organized to secure the largest crowd possible, including a mammoth choir of 1000 voices.

"The largest meeting of Chicago Baptist ministers held in recent years was at the North Shore Church, February 7, when we planned for our part in this service," he said.

Don Norman, executive-secretary of the Chicago Bible Society, also a Baptist, said, "The coming of Southern Baptists . . . has given Chicago Baptists a certain esprit de corps that we have not had before."

Chicago convention officials are also enthusiastic about the Convention. Mr. Kenneth D. Watson, manager of the Coliseum where the convention is to be held, said, "The Southern Baptist Convention is definitely a big convention. We welcome it." Mr. Frank Power, one of the managers of the Chicago convention bureau, said, "Hotel reservations are now standing at about 3000. They are coming in at the rate of 25 each day. Southern Baptists have one of the largest conventions in the United States. We will maintain a complete information bureau for the convention, staffed with our own people who will be able to answer questions on transportation, locations, parking, entertainment, museums, etc."

Chicago newspapers will staff the convention. The four metropolitan dailies have promised to have men present for all three days of the convention. Dr. John Evans, church editor, *Chicago Tribune* said, "We cannot give you many column inches, but what we do will be honestly done by men of our own staff."

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Literary Contests Challenge Writers \$7000 FOR CHRISTIAN TEXTBOOK AND FICTION

Two current literary contests being sponsored by the Zondervan Publishing House of Grand Rapids, Michigan, are creating wide interest among authors, reviewers and book sellers.

The first contest is being conducted for the purpose of securing manuscripts which may be used as Christian textbooks in colleges and Bible schools. A total of \$2,000 in prizes is being offered by the publishers—\$1,000, first prize; \$500, second prize; \$250, third prize; \$150, fourth prize; and \$100, fifth prize. This contest closes September 30, 1950. The publishers state that textbook manuscripts in any field of Christian education on the Christian college and Bible school level may be submitted. However, only one winner will be named in any one particular field.

The second contest conducted by the Grand Rapids publishers is Zondervan's Second International Christian Fiction Contest. The closing date is December 31, 1950. Three prizes totalling \$5,000 are being offered in this second contest. Complete rules of both contests may be had by writing the publishers.

POAU Resolutions

At the Second Annual National Conference on Church and State, Washington, D. C., January 31, Protestants and Other Americans United for Separation of Church and State adopted the following:

I. Ambassador to the Pope

The resignation of Mr. Myron C. Taylor from the post of Ambassador to the Pope terminates a relationship which from the beginning was anomalous. We commend the President for his acceptance of Mr. Taylor's wish to relinquish this position and urge him that, by declining to appoint a successor, he put an end to an irregular diplomatic relation that has trespassed on the honored American tradition of the separation of church and state, and given offense to Protestants and other Americans.

II. Federal Aid to Education

In support of the American constitutional principle of separation of church and state, POAU opposes S. 246 because it leaves a loophole for the violation of this principle and is an encouragement to further violations. POAU opposes tax-paid buses and textbooks for parochial or private schools. We freely recognize the right of any religious group to maintain its own schools, but we hold it is wrong to compel all the people to pay taxes in assistance of special schools which some people prefer to the public schools that are open to everybody.

POAU stands for the following:

1. The educational benefits of any Federal aid bill, if granted, should be limited strictly to free tax-supported, publicly controlled educational institutions, whether or not state constitutions or laws directly or indirectly permit use of state funds for sectarian educational institutions.

2. Any Congressional measure in aid of education should be for educational services alone. Health services, for example, should be considered on their merits apart from any educational bill and, if granted, should provide for administration of public health agencies in behalf of all the community.

3. Any Congressional Act should prevent violation of these principles by making provisions for judicial review so as to insure against unlawful diversion of Federal funds for sectarian purposes.

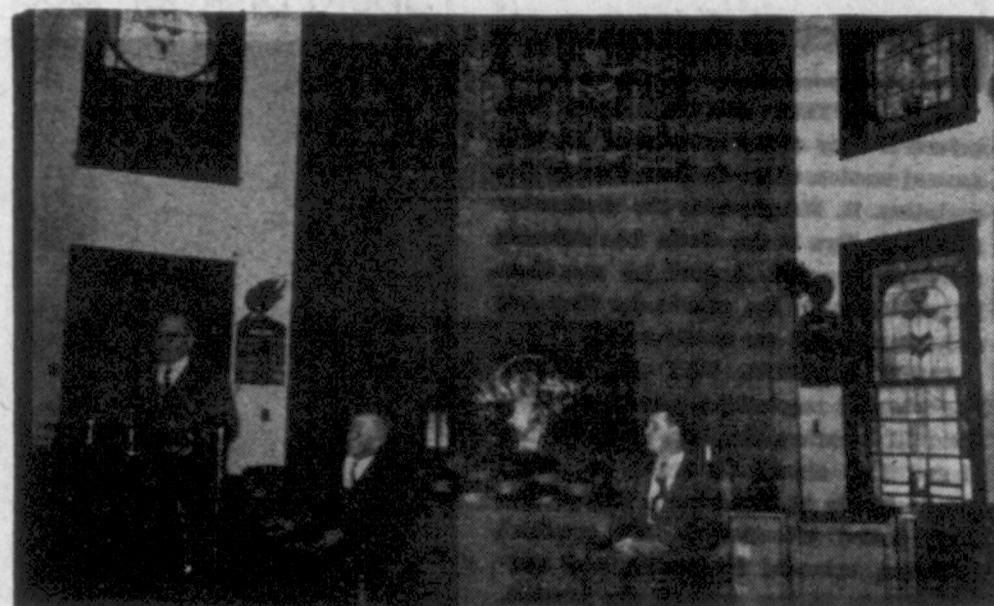
4. Any act by Congress in aid of public education should clearly assure such aid is for each tax-supported, publicly-controlled school in the jurisdiction.

We are happy to announce that the new and improved Barden bill includes all these principles.

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How To Kill A Church

1. Don't come. Psa. 43:4; 96:4.
2. If you do come, come late. Psa. 84:10.
3. Come bound to find fault. Psa. 100:4*5.
4. Don't ever think of praying for your pastor. Eph. 6:18; 18; 2 Thes. 3:1.
5. If you see a stranger in the audience, don't offer to shake hands with him. Don't ask him to return, he might think you are too bold. Heb. 13:2.
6. Never try to bring any one to church with you. John 1:41, 46.
7. Let the minister do all the work;



HE ASKED FOR SUPPORT. Shown above is Dr. S. B. Lawrence of Meridian, speaking to the Evangelistic Conference at Gulfport. When Dr. Lawrence came to the platform he asked that two close preacher friends sit on the platform while he spoke. They were: Rev. W. L. Meadows of Quitman and Dr. W. E. Green, president of Clarke College, Newton. They are shown above "backing up" Dr. Lawrence.

Delta Air Lines Provide Discount For Chicago Convention Attendance

AN INSTRUCTION COURSE FOR THE NEWLY BAPTIZED

(Editor's note: In this issue is the second lesson of "An Instruction Course for the Newly Baptized" by Rev. Leonard T. Van Horn, pastor of Calvary Church, Vicksburg. Pastors will find this course helpful in training new converts. Others will find it helpful in strengthening their faith and enable them to "contend earnestly for the faith."

There are nine lessons. Copies of the booklet, printed on excellent book paper may be purchased from the author at 10c per copy. His address is Bovina, Miss.

Prepared By
LEONARD T. VAN HORN
October, 1949

LESSON NUMBER "2"

Subject: GOD THE FATHER

1. Q. Why do you call God your "Father"?
 - A. Because we are children of God by faith in Christ Jesus. (Rom. 8:15, 16)
2. Q. How do we gain knowledge of God?
 - A. Through His works and His Word. (Acts 14:17) (II Peter 1:19)
3. Q. Where is God?
 - A. God's throne is in Heaven, but God is everywhere. (Psa. 139:7-10)
4. Q. Is God in charge of the world?
 - A. Yes He upholds it and He governs it by His counsel and providence. (Heb. 1:3) (Matt. 10:29)
5. Q. Is God's power limited?
 - A. No. He is unlimited in power, or omnipotent. (Job. 42:2) (Matt. 19:26)
6. Q. How did God show His love for the world?
 - A. By giving His only begotten Son to die on the Cross for the sins of those who would accept Him. (John 3:16) John 1:12, 13
7. Q. What does God require of man?
 - A. God requires obedience to His revealed will. (John 14:15)

that's what he is paid for. Isa. 41:6, 7.

8. Don't be particular about how God's house looks inside or out, but be very particular about your own home. Keep it looking nice. I Kings 6:21, 22; Haggai 1:2-4.

9. Insist on your views being adopted on all questions brought up before the church; be sure not to give in for the majority. Math. 23:10, 12.—Selected.

CARBONDALE, Ill. — (BP) — Delta

Air Lines announced that for the first time in the history of commercial aviation the Civil Aeronautics Board had approved the special Southern Baptist tariff filed by the airline several weeks ago to provide for substantial discounts for messengers attending the Southern Baptist Convention in Chicago, May 9-12.

Laigh C. Parker, vice-president of Delta, said that the discount of 33 1/3 per cent available to the messengers is intended to stimulate travel to the convention. The special Southern Baptist Convention fares will apply into Chicago from all Delta cities with the exception of Kokomo and Richmond, Ind., and stations west of Birmingham, Ala. As an example, while the regular round-trip fare from Miami to Chicago is \$149.80, the special Southern Baptist fare between those points will be \$104.80, or a savings of \$45.00 over the regular air fare on each round-trip ticket.

The new low rates will be in effect for those messengers proceeding to Chicago on May 5 through May 8, and the return portion of the round-trip ticket must be accomplished between May 10 and May 15.

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Southern Baptists Asked To Re-interpret Mission Call

BERKELEY, Calif. — (BP) — One-fourth of Golden Gate Seminary's 100 students are foreign mission volunteers. Twenty of these surrendered in a recent service conducted by Samuel E. Maddox, S.B.C. foreign mission personnel secretary.

Declaring the imperative need for hundreds of our best young people to answer the world-mission call, Mr. Maddox said, "Out of the 27,000 ministers in the Southern Baptist Convention, only 231 are preachers in mission areas outside the United States."

The personnel secretary for the Foreign Mission Board urged Southern Baptists "to re-interpret their conceptions of a missionary call, and send hundreds of preachers to foreign lands while there is still time in this Atomic Age."

Sparks & Splinters

THE BAPTIST RECORD HAS RECEIVED a copy of the minutes of the 74th annual session of the Calhoun County Association. B. Murphree is the moderator and E. A. Dye is the clerk. The minutes are well prepared. A good job was done in particular on the charts, for they are not crowded but are easily read.

FIRST CHURCH, BAY ST. LOUIS, has adopted resolutions concerning Rev. John T. Dearing, Jr., who recently resigned that church in order to accept the pastorate at Hindsboro. The resolutions called attention to his spiritual guidance, splendid leadership, and tireless efforts in the work of the Master. The resolutions were signed by a committee composed of Mrs. Earl Ramond, Miss May H. Edwards and A. H. Gregory.

MISS LUCY LAMB, BLUE MOUNTAIN College librarian, advises that the college library has sent a shipment of books to the Republic College in Manila that was destroyed by the Japanese.

THE MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE CHORAL Choir gave programs last week end, March 4, 5 and 6, at New Albany, Corinth, Tupelo, Amory, Aberdeen and Louisville. Next week end they are to be at the Magee Baptist Church Sunday morning March 12, at eleven o'clock, Raleigh Baptist Church at three in the afternoon and at Forest for the night service. The public is cordially invited to hear them. This Choir can also be heard on the Mississippi Baptist Radio Hour each Sunday this year by transcription, and on the Mississippi College Radio Hour each Sunday afternoon from three thirty to four over Station WRBC, Jackson. Professor E. N. Elsey is Director and Mrs. Elsey is Accompanist.

IN THE LIST OF TIPPAH COUNTY Record readers in a recent issue of the Baptist Record Macedonia Church was credited with only one subscriber. It should have been 12. Rev. Donald Byers, whose address is Hickory Flat, R. F. D., is the popular pastor of this church. He is a graduate of Clarke College and one of the many fine young Mississippi preachers.

FOR SALE: USED TENT, 60' x 40', IN good condition; price, \$696. Also a Public Address System, for \$348. Contact G. A. Hall, Glen, Mississippi, for details.

AN ALL NIGHT PRAYER MEETING was held at Shady Grove, George County, Feb. 26, beginning at 7:00 February 25 and continuing through Sunday morning at 10 o'clock. Every hour different groups came and prayed. At the close of the day's services two souls were saved and one rededicated his life to God.—Mrs. Lee R. Howell, reporter.

REV. GEORGE JENKINS, A GRADUATE of Southern Seminary, Louisville, has accepted the call as pastor of the Napoleon Avenue Church, effective March 1. Mr. Jenkins, a former faculty member at Clarke College, is a graduate of Mississippi College and is presently working on his doctorate at New Orleans Seminary. His wife is an accomplished musician.

I COMMEND TO PASTORS AND churches Brother Ray M. Duckworth, 211 S. E. 20th Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, for evangelistic music. Brother Duckworth is a good soloist, an excellent choir leader, a congregational singing leader unexcelled. You will be highly pleased with his services. He is a tireless worker, a genial spirit, well trained for his task, a graduate of Oklahoma Baptist University, also Southwestern Theological Seminary with several years experience as an educational director and music director in churches in the southland.—W. L. Day.

Tupelo Brotherhood Hears Pastor's Brother



It was Brotherhood night at the First Baptist Church, Tupelo, on March 2 in more ways than one, when members of the Brotherhood group and their wives gathered for their annual banquet. Addressing the group was Major W. E. Holcomb, of Jackson, brother of Dr. H. R. Holcomb, pastor of the church. The above photo shows the portion of the crowd estimated at approximately 75 persons. The Brotherhood enrolment is 48 with an average attendance of 32. (Photo by George Ambrester)

DR. CHARLES L. MCKAY, PASTOR of the First Church, Pascagoula, writes that the prayer meeting attendance has averaged between 225 and 250 for the past several months. That is a mark for most churches to shoot at.

AMONG RECENT VISITORS IN THE office of the Baptist Record were: Miss Rev. Stewart, Louisville, Kentucky; Rev. B. E. Phillips, Jackson; Rev. and Mrs. E. E. Kelly, Louisville, Kentucky; Miss Leonora E. Lane, Miss Katherine Jones, Jackson; Rev. C. M. Day, Durant; Rev. D. D. Cash, Jackson; Rev. Earl Brooks, Hopewell; Rev. Ernest Foster Sherburn, Whangarei, New Zealand; Rev. R. G. Wooton, Clinton; and W. O. Byrd, Jr., Tampa, Florida.

BLUE MOUNTAIN, MISS., MARCH 7—Mrs. Dwight L. Baker, who was Emma Weatherly of Swannanoa, N. C., when a student at Blue Mountain College, has been appointed by the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board as a missionary to Nazareth, Israel. She and her husband will work among the Arabs.

THE MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE CHORAL Choir will present a concert at the Bay Springs Baptist Church, Sunday afternoon, March 12, at three o'clock in the afternoon.

BLUE MOUNTAIN, MISS., MARCH 6—Dr. Wilfred C. Tyler, head of the Bible department of Blue Mountain College, and Mrs. Tyler, member of the Bible faculty, have written a book on the Christian home entitled "The Little World of Home," published by Broadman Press, Nashville, Tenn.

BLUE MOUNTAIN, MISS., MARCH 3—Marie Claypool, Nashville, Tenn., senior at Blue Mountain College, was awarded \$25 for submitting the best response to a flowery introduction of an after dinner speaker. Announcement that such an award would be given was made by Lowry B. Eastland, insurance executive, Baton Rouge, La., when he delivered the commencement address at the college last spring.

WASHINGTON REPORTS SAY THAT Francis P. Matthews, Secretary of the Navy and prominent Catholic layman, may go to Ireland as Ambassador and George Garrett, recently elevated from Minister to Ambassador to Ireland, will go to the Vatican as President Truman's personal representative.

THE NEW YORK TIMES REPORTS from Rome that the Vatican does not want another "personal representative," but desires a permanent diplomatic envoy. The Times reports that the Vatican has refused to let the U. S. Embassy in Rome handle Vatican affairs.

Chicago's Baptists Plan All Baptist Evangelistic Service

Prayer Bands Being Planned

DR. R. G. LEE TO PREACH

By DR. C. E. MATTHEWS

Following the tradition of the last two meetings of the Southern Baptist Convention, the closing session of the Chicago Convention—Friday night, May 12—will be an evangelistic service. Because the Convention meets out of the bounds of Southern Baptist Convention territory, this will be an all Baptist service which will include Southern, Northern, Conservative, Regular, Swedish, German, American (all white) and Negro Baptists of Chicago.

There will be a Negro choir of one thousand voices singing spirituals, any messages by Dr. J. H. Jackson, pastor of the Olivet Baptist Church, Chicago (colored) and Dr. Robert G. Lee, President of the Southern Baptist Convention.

A steering committee, composed of representative laymen from Chicago churches, has been set up and for weeks has been active in making great preparation for this service. Dr. Weldon Wilson is chairman of this committee.

Enthusiasm is growing in the interest of this evangelistic service. Chicago Baptists are praying that this may be the greatest service of its kind ever held in America. The hope is not only that many souls may be saved in this service, but that this service may be the beginning of a genuine revival in the great city of Chicago.

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A COPY OF THE MINUTES OF THE Tippah Associational meeting have been sent to the Baptist Record. Rev. George Gay is the moderator and Miss Jennie M. Dickerson is the clerk. The double page in the center of the book is well used for the summary table. The entire minutes are prepared with the same care.

THE BAPTIST RECORD HAS RECEIVED a copy of the minutes of the Neshoba County Association which met at Laurel Hill Church. The next session is scheduled to meet at the First Church, Philadelphia. Rev. W. C. Breland is the moderator and T. O. Gully is the clerk. The minutes are well prepared and the printers did a good job.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

March 8, 1950

Jackson, First	1230	466
Jackson, Van Winkle	358	253
Jackson, Southside	133	54
Jackson, Daniel Memorial	307	144
Jackson, Davis Memorial	331	149
Jackson, Northside	536	192
Jackson, Elraine	97	97
East Side (Rankin County)	133	54
West Laurel	405	127
Laurel, Second Avenue	373	133
Laurel, First	593	147
East Fork (Amite County)	97	61
Pascagoula, First	508	231
Eastlawn Mission	37	26
Chapel No. 2	35	—
Unity Mission	36	49
Calvary (Amite County)	90	80
East McComb	430	251
McComb, First	554	143
Center (Union County)	125	61
Crystal Springs	617	193
DeLay	48	58
Hattiesburg, Main Street	858	708
Ingomar (Union County)	129	70
County Line (Copiah County)	124	76
Bogue Chitto (Pike County)	83	99
Jackson, Parkway	785	305
Chapel	82	43
Friendship (Pontotoc County)	101	55
Ruth	82	93
Centreville	137	66
Union (Alcorn Association)	46	83
Goss	80	87
Raw Springs (Lebanon Association)	157	104
Columbus, First	895	322
Wheeler (Prentiss County)	95	86
Evergreen (Winston County)	84	84
Rocky Creek (George County)	146	105
Shady Grove (George County)	104	124
Clarksdale	664	159
Lucedale	290	137
East Moss Point	198	91
Yazoo City, First	340	77
Woodville	132	66
Ludlow	105	46
Big Creek	77	47
Friendship (Lincoln County)	76	59
Brookhaven, First	684	190
Hamilton Street Chapel	108	73
Central Chapel	906	368
Wellman (Lincoln County)	88	60
Fair River (Lincoln County)	116	60
Marion (Lauderdale County)	102	28
Chester (Choctaw County)	63	—
West Corinth	176	70
Paul Truitt	199	138
Kosciusko, First	577	186
Bethlehem (Jones County)	115	103
Houlika (Chickasaw County)	100	—
South McComb	244	64
Meridian, First	666	98
Meridian, Fifteenth Avenue	480	92
Meridian, Highland	400	140
Meridian, South Side	297	148
Meridian, 41st Avenue	232	96
Meridian, Oakland Heights	125	81
Meridian, Key Field	89	37

February 26, 1950

Laurel, First	692	146
Shady Grove (George County)	136	107
Lucedale	311	160
Tangipahoa (Pike Association)	185	92
Houlika (Chickasaw County)	106	34
Leesburg	144	142
Wheeler (Prentiss County)	86	64
Bethlehem (Jones County)	122	117
Bruce	237	65
Providence (Grenada County)	102	—
Cherry Creek (Pontotoc County)	87	90
Union (Alcorn County)	89	76
Brooklyn	83	56
Bethlehem (Scott County)	110	82
Chester (Choctaw County)	62	26
West Laurel	448	149
Handsboro	146	92
Friendship, Pike County	144	75

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"BY LEADING YOUR CHURCH TO do a better job of training, you can be the means of making your church a greater power for Christ."—Howard P. Colson, The Teacher.

The Christian College One Of Mankind's Pillars

By L. E. ROUSE, Th.D.
President of

Mississippi Woman's College

There are three basic institutions ordained of God to serve mankind—the home, the church, and the Christian college.

Through these institutions, from the morning of youth until manhood has reached its high noon, pass those who live the abundant life. Higher education is traceable to the Christian ideal of intellectual freedom. The American way of life is largely the product of the college culture.

From church-constructed colleges came the leaders of thought and the champions of liberty who made this republic possible. Thomas Jefferson, James Madison, and Alexander Hamilton were among these. All but eight of the fifty-five men who signed the Declaration of Independence, and most of those who wrote our Constitution had breathed the atmosphere of church supported institutions of learning. The Divine leaven in our national culture has made our country great. We dare not lose this ferment that gives quickening to thought and endeavor.

Sixteen of the first of eighteen presidents of the United States who were college graduates came out of denominational universities. Seven of the first eight chief justices of the Supreme Court who were graduates held diplomas from church-supported institutions. While only one-third of the college graduates of America now living attended church-controlled schools, it is indeed a challenging thought that from this one-third is drawn seventy percent of all college graduates listed in 'Who's Who in America.'

Christian education is education 'plus.' Culture is not enough. Knowledge is not enough. To the academic curriculum must be added character. A short time ago Harvard University made a survey of four thousand persons who had lost their jobs. More than half of these were without work because of defects in traits of character. Character is the most valuable granite block in the enduring foundation of worthy manhood.

Christian education is not merely declaring the doctrines of a denomination; it is not merely proclaiming the code of some church, or making converts to some religious creed. A Christian college is a place where all the arts and sciences are taught—music and mathematics, philosophy and psychology, biology and botany—measured by all the academic requirements of a standard university. In addition to this, it is also a place where students are taught these courses by Christian teachers, in a religious atmosphere, amid religious environments, where temptations lead upward and onward.

The difference between Christian education and secular education is not in form but in spirit; not in technique but in traditions; not in curriculum but in character; not in property but in personality; not in caste but in culture; not in mechanics but in dynamics; not in information but in inspiration; not in minds trained but in destinies determined.

The best part of a university is invisible. More important than brick and mortar is the spirit of an insti-

tution. No university can be great, whatever may be its endowment or its scholastic standards, that does not develop within its own life a pure, academic soul.

Now in a world that is upside down and wrong-side out, and the falling of governments and the wreckage of empires, if we are to hold dear the "Fate of our Fathers—living still," and preserve inviolate our democratic way of life against enemies from within and enemies without, whether armed with gold or steel, we must rise above the fog and bog of a world mobilized for war and say with Edwin Markham, 'Love and not hate must come to birth, Christ and not Cain must rule the earth.'

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Baylor Erects Browning Shrine

A majestic \$300,000 library building is rising at Baylor University, Waco, Texas, because a lad 50 years ago caught spiritual visions in the poetry of Robert Browning. The building which cornerstone was laid Feb. 25, will be a memorial to Browning and will house the world's largest collection of personal items and first editions of the poet.

The collection and the building, together valued at \$1,500,000, is the result of piece-by-piece, dollar-by-dollar solicitation through the halfcentury by Dr. A. J. Armstrong, chairman of the Baylor English department and world authority on Browning. He was just a lad when he caught the spiritual message of the poetry and determined to dedicate his life to its teaching. The message of Browning's writing, he says, is hope and life.

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Nine Cities Contend For Eastern Seminary

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — (BP) — The sub-committee of the Southern Baptist Convention charged with recommending a site for the new theological seminary to be established in the southeast met here last week to consider invitations from nine cities. No decision was reached, but members of the committee will meet in Nashville this week to continue its investigation and to prepare its report to the full committee.

Cities considered by the sub-committee are Greenville, S. C.; Spartanburg, S. C.; Charlotte, N. C.; Asheville, N. C.; Martinsville, Va.; Columbus, Ga.; Atlanta, Ga.; and Columbia, S. C. Washington, D. C., and Baltimore Md., have asked jointly that the seminary be built between them.

The sub-committee has agreed that minimum requirements for the city in which the ministerial school is built must guarantee at least 150 acres for a site and \$1,000,000 for buildings. The sub-committee's recommendation will be presented to the Convention meeting in Chicago in May.

Members of the committee present were Claude Bowen, Greensboro, N. C., chairman; Louie D. Newton, Atlanta, Ga.; Vernon Richardson, Baltimore, Md.; Douglas Hudgins, Jackson, Miss.; and A. E. Tibbs, Greenville, S. C.

Mt. Olive Church To Hold Revival March 13-19



DR. C. PENROSE ST. AMANT

Dr. C. Penrose St. Amant will be the speaker in the revival services at the Mt. Olive Church, Smithdale, March 13-19. Dr. St. Amant is head of the department of Christian History and Theology at the New Orleans Seminary. Last year his sermon entitled, "Christian Faith Confronts the Modern Mind" was one of the fifty-two selected as the best sermons of the year.

Services will be held each evening at 7:30 p. m. On the closing day of the revival, March 19, the new church pastorum will be dedicated.

The pastor, E. T. Carruth, extends a cordial welcome to everyone to attend these services.

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Northwest Pastors Meet March 14

The Northwest Mississippi Baptist Pastors' Conference will meet on March 14, beginning at 9:45. Rev. L. D. Baird will deliver the opening devotional and Rev. Willard Fuller will discuss the First Two Commandments. Dr. F. M. Purser will bring the main address on The Pulpit and Moral Issues.

Two Buildings And 23 Acres Given To Southern Seminary

TWO BUILDINGS and 23 acres of land have been added to the Southern Seminary property in recent weeks. Most significant of the new acquisitions in the estate of Mrs. George W. Norton, Sr., in the heart of the Cherokee park area, near the Seminary campus. This property, willed to the Seminary by Mrs. Norton, who died recently, consists of her spacious home, one of the finest in the South, with its large, brick garage, and 22 acres of land. A smaller but important addition is an acre of vacant lots joining the Seminary campus and facing Rice Hall. This is regarded by architects as an ideal site for future Seminary expansion.

The Seminary now has 18 buildings which it has acquired, built, or is in the process of building, none of which belonged to the Seminary when Dr. Ellis A. Fuller became president of the institution, in 1942.

Buildings added under Dr. Fuller's

Fifth Avenue Church Celebrates Pastor's Third Anniversary

Begin New Church March 30

The congregation of the Fifth Avenue Baptist Church celebrated the third anniversary of the pastor, Dr. J. C. Murphy, on March 5. Among the high points of the day itself the following things stood out:

The church voted to hold the ground-breaking service on the new location of Hardy Street at Sixteenth Avenue on March 19 at three o'clock p. m. with construction of new building to begin the next day. The first unit of the building program includes the Educational building which will accommodate eleven-hundred-ninety in Sunday School and the Recreational building which will be used as a temporary auditorium seating seven-hundred in pews.

A second high point was the regular offering for the day. It was the highest in the history of the church. With an annual budget of \$46,660 the weekly offerings are running ahead of the amount required.

Following the evening service the chairman of the Deacons, Mr. J. J. Crozier, stood before the congregation to invite all the people to a reception which had been prepared for Dr. and Mrs. Murphy.

The records of the church show that there have been six-hundred sixty-eight additions to the church during the pastorate of Dr. Murphy with two-hundred eight of these coming into the church by baptism.

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Central Pastors To Meet On March 13

The Central Mississippi Pastors' Conference will meet in the prayer room at the Baptist Building, Jackson, on Monday, March 13. Dr. William P. Davis will bring the main address, presenting the Stewardship Visitation Program which will be promoted throughout the Southern Baptist Convention in 1950.

The meeting will begin at 10 o'clock and will adjourn at noon. Rev. L. C. Hoff, Florence, is the president of the conference.

administration include: three small apartment houses in Columbia, S. C., and Foster Hall, on the Seminary campus, all donated by Dr. and Mrs. A. J. Foster, of Columbia; the Norton home and garage; Cooke Hall and its large, brick garage, donated by V. V. Cooke, Louisville business executive; Barnard Hall, with its large brick garage, donated by Mrs. George Neel and Mrs. Ben S. Clarkson; Samuels Missionary Apartments, given by P. B. Hall; Alumni Memorial Chapel, now nearing completion; Faculty Center; the Greyhound bus station and the Brown storage garage, at the former location of the Seminary in downtown Louisville; the home of the president, at 531 Barberry Lane; and the million-dollar apartment building now under construction.

The land area of the Seminary property has been increased to 39 1/2 acres.

Associated Church Press Convention Set

ST. LOUIS—(RNS)—The annual meeting of the Associated Church Press, organization of editors of Protestant publications in the U. S. and Canada, will be held in Syracuse, N. Y., April 12-14, it was announced here by Dr. David D. Baker, editor of The Messenger, and the group's president.

A workshop on the techniques of magazine publication will be a feature of the sessions. The workshop will study news writing, advertising, article writing, principles of makeup, readability methods, editorial writing and picture editing. An analysis will be made of Protestant publications from the standpoint of improving them.

Dr. Roland E. Wolseley, professor of journalism at Syracuse University, has arranged the workshop which will be conducted by members of Syracuse's journalism faculty.

Prominent national and church leaders have also been scheduled to address dinner and luncheon meetings during the convention.

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Baptists Sponsor Chapel On Wheels To Migrants

ATLANTA, Ga.—(RNS)—A chapel on wheels—believed to be the first in Southern Baptist missionary history—is being operated by the Rev. and Mrs. Sam T. Mayo.

The former Georgia pastor and his wife have embarked from here on an unlimited seven-state mission to thousands of homeless migrant workers. Their first stop will be Bradenton, Fla., where the vegetable season is in full swing.

Their "Gospel Chapel," as they call it, is a two-room dwelling which can be quickly transformed into a chapel complete with an organ and seats for a congregation of 40 persons.

The 30-ft. chapel on wheels contains two folding beds that are convertible to seats, a butane gas stove, a shower, folding chairs, a public address system, a motion picture projector, a library and desk, and a folding partition that makes two rooms for two Sunday school classrooms.

Mr. Mayo resigned his pastorate at Rochelle, Ga., two years ago to become a missionary to migrants. He and his wife started out with a conventional trailer, but constant travelling over all types of roads kept the trailer in constant need of repair.

Then he traded the trailer for a one-ton truck and for months he preached from the rear of the truck to congregations sitting in the open air. When he got the idea for the chapel on wheels the Southern Baptist Convention agreed to finance it. Now the Convention is looking for two more couples for the migrant ministry.

A census taken by the Mayos showed that 95 of every 100 migrants are without church affiliation, and many of them have no access to the Bible at all.

The missionaries have given 1,600 Bibles to needy families and have seen 124 migrants baptized into some church membership. In addition to regular services, the Mayos conduct kindergarten, nursery and Bible schools for children and classes for illiterate adults.



Cardinal Outlines Reunion Basis

LONDON—(RNS)—Christian union can only be attained on the basis of submission to the Holy See at Rome, Bernard Cardinal Griffin, Archbishop of Westminster, declared in a Lenten pastoral letter read in all Roman Catholic churches here.

"We Catholics," Cardinal Griffin said, "believe that our Church is the one true Church founded by Jesus Christ, whose Vicar on earth, His Holiness the Pope, speaks with an INFALLIBLE voice when defining doctrines. We cannot, therefore, hold that other denominations are equally true. We should be untrue to ourselves and dishonest to those who are seeking the truth were we to pretend that they are."

"The call for reunion," he said, "means an invitation to all non-Catholics to join the one true Church. It means, in other words, submission to the authority of the Holy See."

Cardinal Griffin went on to warn that cooperation with men of good will "must never lead to the pretense that differences of doctrine do not matter."

"Some deeply religious men do not believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God, others do not believe the Pope is the Vicar of Christ," he said, adding that "those who deny these fundamental Catholic doctrines are only deceived if they are encouraged to hope there can be any question of reunion until these and other Catholic teachings are accepted."

"Therefore," Cardinal Griffin continued, "cooperation on spiritual matters can only be on parallel lines, because the Catholic who has claimed to be a member of one true Church cannot take part in the services of another religion."

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CONSERVATIVES WIN OVER LABOR IN BMC ELECTION

On the eve of the national election in Great Britain, the English history class at Blue Mountain College held an election of its own. The class was divided into groups representing the Labor and Conservative parties. Campaign speeches were given during class time.

Those speakers representing the Labor Party were—Clement Attlee, Erin Stuart, Greenwood; Aneurin Bevin, Bonnie Mae Gadd, Ashland; and Herbert Morrison, Melba Marion, Van Vleet. Speaking for the Conservatives were—Winston Churchill, Marian Mayes, Blytheville, Ark.; Anthony Eden, Betty Jane Rodgers, Yazoo City; and Lady Tweedsmuir, Dorothy Muse, Florence, Ala.

After the speeches were made, an election was held by the class. The Conservatives won.

Bedridden Patient Delivers Devotional

ABILENE, Tex.—(BP)—Sunday morning devotional in an adult Sunday school department seldom makes news.

But a recent Sunday morning devotional by Maurine Seale at the University Baptist Church was different—different because she was at home several blocks from the church.

Miss Seale, who has been bed-ridden for four years as a result of an automobile accident, is unable to attend services at her church. But that doesn't keep her from bringing the devotionals occasionally at the church.

Maurine, who has a most inspiring disposition, gave the devotional via telephone. She has a telephone at her bedside. Simply by dialing the church number in the pastor's office, she can speak to any group in the building.

The phone in Pastor Sterling Price's office is attached to a Tel-Aid, and that instrument is connected with a public address system, which makes it possible for the speech to be directed to any part of the church.

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Teen-Agers Shun Game To Attend Revival

PEKIN, Ill.—(RNS)—About 100 teen-agers stayed away from a high school basketball game in order to go to a revival meeting where they could "cheer for the Lord instead."

The revival they attended was conducted by the Rev. Bert Turner of Detroit, a travelling evangelist.

Sixty pupils of Pekin high school recently demonstrated against the dissolution of the Christian Fellowship Club at the school. They marched with placards urging that the Bible be returned to schools.

The club was dissolved by order of Principal F. M. Peterson who said the action was taken on the advice of the Illinois Department of Public Instruction.

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Plan Church Drive To Make Arkansas Dry

LITTLE ROCK, Ark.—(RNS)—Support of all church groups will be sought in a campaign to make Arkansas a bone-dry state. The drive will be launched by the Temperance League of Arkansas, whose board of directors has decided to submit an initiated act at the 1950 general election to repeal all liquor and beer laws in the state.

Announcing that the drive would represent a concerted action by "all dry forces in the state," League Superintendent Clyde C. Coulter said circulation of the referendum petitions will be directed jointly by the league and the Women's Christian Temperance Union.

Coulter said the proposed initiative act would seek repeal of the Thorncroft Liquor Act of 1935 and will attempt to outlaw all alcoholic beverages, including beer and wine.

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A COPY OF THE MINUTES OF THE Jefferson Davis Associational meeting have been sent to the Baptist Record. Joe Dale is the moderator and Mrs. Fern Hartzog is the clerk. The next meeting will be held at Hepzibah Church and H. W. Chaney will be the preacher.

Radio Program Is Reaching The People 2000 Sermons Mailed Weekly

Popularity brings problems according to Rev. A. L. Gatewood, chairman of the Mississippi Baptist Radio Committee. He says that the Radio Committee of the Mississippi Baptist Convention is faced with an acute problem in being able to take care of the demands of the Mississippi Baptist Hour.

Last October the budget was planned with the expectation of answering 50 letters per week and mailing 75 copies of each sermon.

The average lately has been near 2000 copies of each message and approximately 150 letters have to be answered personally each week. The Mississippi Baptist Hour is really reaching the masses as indicated by the tremendous response through mail.

According to Mr. Gatewood the Radio Committee is facing a budget crisis because of the added cost of distributing copies of sermons and letter writing. He is trying to carry on the work in connection with his pastorate at Itta Bena without expense to the Committee.

The Radio Committee is asking Mississippi Baptists to be very much in prayer for this ministry. Its effects are being felt all over the state and its growth has been in such manner that we cannot ignore its importance. We cannot cease to follow up the requests for messages or to answer the letters because this builds the program and fulfills its ministry.

The Mississippi Baptist Hour is capable of being self-sustaining if a long range program is adopted. The listeners are, in greater part, from the small towns and rural areas. Letters pour in—some with the scribble of pencil that you can hardly read to those dictated through office secretaries. Some ask for prayers and others offer their prayers. Some are from broken homes while others praise God for their homes. A few lines from several letters follow:

Lake, Mississippi—"Just a line to let you know that we appreciate the Mississippi Baptist Hour very much. . . . Have enjoyed Dr. Miller's messages."

West Point, Miss.—"I heard your message yesterday and feel so much better. We are in bad circumstances and ask you to pray for our husband to get well. . . . You know no job means hungry children."

Memphis, Tenn.—"We are a group of poor people but we love God. We have from 20 to 25 to come to our house each Sunday to hear your great program."

Jackson, Miss.—"Praise God for such a great program. I was saved yesterday while listening to your great message. Seems like God just reached down during those moments."

Each letter is answered and then sent to the nearest pastor for a personal visit.

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"SELF-CENTERED PERSONALITIES and a man-centered society constitute our chief sin. Self-indulgent, self-exalting, self-seeking, self-conceited, self-willed, and self-loving man must be dethroned by self-denying, self-effacing, self-humbling, self-surrendering, and self-sacrificing man. Then Christ with all his meaning must be enthroned, and society must become God-centered."—W. E. White, The Baptist Training Union Magazine.

- BROTHERHOOD DEPARTMENT -

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EDWINA MAY, Office Secretary

TO BROTHERHOOD PRESIDENTS

Below is some information which is vital to the success of a church Brotherhood. Your Brotherhood will be a better Brotherhood if you will follow through with these suggestions:

I. Make your Brotherhood a Brotherhood of SERVICE (This is your task as Brotherhood president.) SEE that your Brotherhood is completely organized for work, with every office filled by a qualified man, and every committee staffed with two or more fit men. If your Brotherhood is too small for a complete arrangement of work committees, then the Brotherhood should function as a committee of the whole.

II. Set up a worth-while ACTIVITIES PROGRAM. LEAD your Executive Committee to decide upon the items of work which your Brotherhood shall undertake. CHARGE each of these items over to a particular work committee. (KEEP your Activities Vice President at work in this realm.) Reports of work done should be made at each Executive Committee meeting, and also at every Brotherhood meeting. (Write to the Baptist Brotherhood of Mississippi, Box 530, Baptist Building, Jackson, Mississippi, for the free booklet of "Suggested Brotherhood Committee Activities.")

III. Make your Brotherhood meetings spiritual, attractive, informational, inspirational, and worth-while. (KEEP your Program Vice President at work at this task.) Your meetings should be such as will challenge your men to a deeper consecration of life, to a nobler stewardship, to a more consecrated study of the Bible, to a deeper prayer life, and to more active participation in all work of their church.

IV. Hold regular meetings of the Brotherhood Executive Committee. (This is of vital importance!) The Executive Committee is made up of the pastor and all of the Brotherhood officers and committee chairmen. The Executive Committee PLANS the work of the Brotherhood, DECIDES upon the various activities which shall be

undertaken, and **KEEPS** the Brotherhood in line with the programs of the church and denomination.

V. Keep before your men the great Brotherhood ideals of: Personal Consecration—Personal Stewardship—Personal Soul-Winning. These ideals comprehend the whole Christian man, and add up to: Better men, giving all of themselves to the Lord, in the greatest work in all the world!

VI. Make your Brotherhood function to undergird the whole church, in every phase of its life and work. Remember that a Brotherhood exists to make a better church. Your Brotherhood should be felt for good in every area of your church life and work.

VIII. Lead your Brotherhood into active and continuing mission work. Every Brotherhood will find opportunities in the church field for personal soul-winning and for cottage prayer-meetings. In addition, many Brotherhoods will find opportunities to engage in community mission projects, and also in institutional missions. Some Brotherhoods can sponsor mission work in industrial establishments. Street services will produce results for the Lord anywhere.

MAKE YOUR BROTHERHOOD A BROTHERHOOD OF SERVICE!

PONTOTOC MEN HOLD RALLY

We have just returned from attending a Baptist Men's Rally in Pontotoc County in the interest of Brotherhood work, at First Church, Pontotoc, Dr. James Monroe, pastor. Brother R. B. Patterson, the Associational Missionary, did a fine job publicizing the meeting and presided in his usual good way. A number of churches were represented and the interest was high. The Brotherhood Secretary was asked to speak on Brotherhood work and the closing message was delivered by Brother Winfred Moore, pastor, Harrisburg Baptist Church, Tupelo. He brought a very splendid testimony of the work of the Brotherhood in his own church. The men voted to hold a similar meeting on Friday evening, April 28.

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SHERIFF WRITES LETTER

In this column on February 23 emphasis was given to the fact that beverage alcohol drains legitimate business. A sheriff wrote to challenge a statement made in that article. I quote from his letter:

"You said this, 'It is alleged by those who want whiskey legalized in our state that it would help business. The truth is, the only business that would benefit by it is the liquor business.' You are wrong. The undertakers and the florists would get lots of premature business that they would have to wait for probably fifty years under prohibition."

He says that the advocates of legal beer in his county claim that with legalized beer they have a good set-up, because the adjoining counties are dry and their county, therefore, draws the business from those counties. On this point I quote again from the sheriff's letter:

"It furnishes the same kind of crowd

that a dead mule draws—a bunch of buzzards. These people have left their honest debts unpaid while our beer joints get their money that their wives and children need so badly."

The above mentioned county is a rural county, and according to the sheriff's findings, the beer joints received \$246,577.00 for beer in 1949. It is impossible to evaluate in dollars and cents the bloodshed, heartache, misery, and broken homes caused by these same beer joints. They are helping to paint the highway through their county red with human blood.

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REGINA DUKE, GADSDEN, ALA. has been elected president of the student chapter of the Music Educators National Conference of Blue Mountain College. Evelyn Hill, Luxora, Ark., is vice president; Jeane Duncan, Griffin, Ga., is secretary-treasurer; Margaret Payne, Senatobia, and Barbara Birt, Greenwood, are program chairmen; Peggy Workman, Woodruff, A. G., and Ginger Parsell, Louisville, Ky., are social chairmen.

Hathorn Church Has Full-Time Program



REV. ROBERT G. FISHER

Hathorn Church in Jeff Davis County, began full-time services on January 1, under the leadership of Rev. Robert G. Fisher.

The Rev. Mr. Fisher, who is attending the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, is a native of Gastonia, North Carolina. He was graduated with a B.A. degree from Carson-Newman College, Jefferson City, Tennessee, and pastored in North Carolina before going to the Dumplin Church in Jefferson City, where he was pastor for two and one-half years before entering the Seminary in New Orleans.

Hathorn Church was organized in 1907 and has had a steady growth since that time. A new church building was dedicated in November, 1947, and an up-to-date and growing Sunday School, Training Union, and Woman's Missionary Society are a part of the church activities.

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**Majors Ordained
THIRD PASTOR SENT OUT
BY BYRAM CHURCH, HINDS**

J. W. Majors was ordained to the full ministry of the Gospel by the Byram Church in Hinds Association on February 26. The ordination sermon was delivered by the Rev. W. E. Winstead and the charge was given by Rev. Henry J. Bennett. The Bible was presented by Rev. R. A. Kyle and Jessie Magee led in the ordination prayer.

This is the third young man the Byram Church has sent out in the past eight months: Rev. A. R. Sandifer, pastor of New Haven Church; Rev. J. W. Majors, pastor of Palestine Church; Rev. Arnold Hannaford, pastor of Magee's Creek Church.

Henry J. Bennett, who is a senior at the New Orleans Seminary, is the pastor.

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Pleasant Grove Exceeds Goal

Pleasant Grove Church in Lincoln County gave special emphasis to the attendance at Sunday School and Training Union on February 19.

Goals were set at 100 and 80, respectively. There were 125 present in Sunday School, an increase of 46 over the previous Sunday. The Training Union had 61 attending.

Coleman Lea is the Sunday School superintendent and Mrs. Felder Dikey is the Training Union director. Rev. V. J. Moss, pastor, came to the church on January 1.

**Five Miss. Students
To Do Mission Work
During The Summer**

CLINTON, Miss., March 4—Five Mississippi students have been selected to do mission work during the summer vacation, sponsored by the Baptist Student Union of the state. Two of the five are from Mississippi College and they will work outside of the continental United States.

Both the Mississippi College students have been active in extracurricular activities. Miss Betty Cooper of Clinton will work in Hawaii. She is a Senior and is the daughter of Mrs. Sara Cooper and the late Rev. Silas B. Cooper. She is studying to be a missionary and is planning to enter one of the Seminaries next Fall. Billy Causey of Greenville, a freshman, is a ministerial student and is a member of the Choral Choir and of the baseball and football teams.

The students from other colleges who have been selected for this summer are Misses Maurine Sparkman from Blue Mountain College, Dorothy Jean Lipman from Millsaps, and Jean Faulkner from Holmes County Junior College.

B. S. U. organizations over the state are raising funds for this undertaking. Mississippi College has raised \$210 and will raise more.

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**130 Decisions In
Revival At Sturgis**

Sturgis Church held a Youth Revival held in the School Auditorium February 27-March 3. The local churches, school authorities, and P.T.A. worked together to make it possible.

There were 130 decisions for Christ, 71 on a profession of faith.

Visiting ministers included Rev. S. E. Byler, Okolona; Rev. Leo Bailey, Nettleton; and Rev. Walker, Starkville.

Superintendent W. T. York of the Sturgis Consolidated School and Mrs. H. O. Anderson, president of the local P.T.A., received the cooperation of all the churches and pastors in the district.

John E. Barrow is pastor of Sturgis Church.

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CALENDAR OF PRAYER

March 13—Dr. E. L. Senter, Itawamba Associational Sunday School Superintendent; G. W. Hall, Jackson Associational Brotherhood president.

March 14—Sunday School Convention, Greenwood; Rev. Earl C. Edwards, McComb B.T.U., president of District 15.

March 15—Mrs. Rosa Price Paschal, Blue Mountain College faculty; Charles W. Horner, State BSU Secretary, Baptist Building.

March 16—Mrs. Wilburn Buckley, District I WMU Chairman; Prof. Frank W. Carter, Mississippi College faculty.

March 17—Mrs. M. N. Barfield, Assistant Director of Nursing Service, Baptist Hospital; Rev. R. R. Brigance, Mississippi Associational Convention Board member.

March 18—P. H. Gill, Clarke College faculty; Floyd Barnes, Jackson, Mississippi Education Commission.

March 19—Mississippi Woman's College Endowment Campaign.

25 Million Pounds Of Relief Supplies Sent Overseas By CWS In One Year

Annual Report For 1949 Shows Contributions From Protestant Churches Of 23,183,967 Pounds

NEW YORK, N. Y.—The annual report of contributed supplies received as a part of the Church World Service relief program for 1949 amounted to a total 23,183,967 lbs. according to a statement issued by Dr. Stanley L. Stuber, official of the organization which is constituted by the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America the Foreign Missions Conference of North America, the United Council of Church Women, and the World Council of Churches—Conference of U.S.A. Member Churches.

Of this total 5,534,983 lbs. consisted of clothing, shoes and bedding; 15,108,108 lbs. of food and vitamins; and 2,540,876 lbs. of miscellaneous contributed materials.

Contributions by some of the religious bodies were as follows:

Denominations	Total Lbs.
Baptist, North	122,406
Baptist, South	1,065,805
Church of Brethren	713,852
Church of God	2,210
Disciples of Christ	68,113
Methodist	605,675
Presbyterian, U.S.A.	300,498
Presbyterian, U.S.	168,785
Protestant Episcopal	140,182
United Presbyterian	10,523

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Cherry Creek Leads Pontotoc Churches In Per Capita Gifts

According to figures compiled by Association missionary, Rev. R. B. Patterson from the 1949 minutes of the Pontotoc County Association, the per capita gifts of the churches of Pontotoc County which reported were as follows:

Cherry Creek	67.83
West Heights	48.44
Pontotoc	29.05
Bellevue	28.37
Zion	21.54
Ecru	21.51
Oak Hill	21.22
Harmony	14.31
Algoma	10.53
Toxish	9.92
Hurricane	9.86
Thaxton	9.53
Longview	8.75
Valley Grove	7.71
Shady Grove	6.94
Friendship	6.70
Tococoppola	6.56
Hendville	6.45
New Hope	5.54
Springville	5.06
Piney Grove	4.28
Liberty	4.25
Buchanan	3.96
Center Hill	3.75
Randolph	3.33
Horton Memorial	3.32
Furrs	3.23
Bethel	2.55
Turnpike	2.34
Locust Hill	2.30
Carey Springs	2.10
Immanuel	1.97
Macedonia	1.85
Hopewell	1.38

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S. B. Harrington Is Parchman Chaplain



REV. S. B. HARRINGTON

Rev. S. B. Harrington recently assumed his duties as Chaplain of the Mississippi State Penitentiary at Parchman. He came to Parchman from Calhoun County Association, where he was Associational Missionary. Prior to that he was pastor of the Tchula Church.

This new field of service presents many great opportunities, for it is often said to be one of the richest mission fields in our homeland. Although many of the courtesies of a regular pastorate are absent, there are more than 2,000 individuals separated from society and from their families, and who are eager to hear the gospel message.

Many of these are consecrated Christians and are trying to prepare themselves for better Christian living by taking Bible courses through correspondence. Two are taking seminary work.

In a recent service in one of the camps of 105 men, there were 23 professions of faith.

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R. A. CHAPTER STUDIES MISSION BOOK

"The Greshams of Greenway" was recently studied as a mission course by 15 members of the Robert L. Lee, Jr., R. A. Chapter of the White Sand Church, Jeff Davis County. The book was taught by Stanley Stamps, counselor.

The present project of the chapter is to place Christian literature and New Testaments in jails, in doctors' offices and in Negro schools.

According to Mrs. Bill Booth, W. M. U. reporter, pictures of the group were taken to be sent to "Ambassador Life."

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Value Mission Soon To Become A Church

Plans are being made to organize a church from the Value Mission, at Brandon, in the near future. R. E. Denson is chairman of the committee on locating a building site.

Those who joined during the recent revival at the mission have been added to the membership of the Brandon Church until such time when the mission organization is effective.

Rev. Louis Ward Stanger, Rankin Associational Missionary, attributes much of the success of the mission to Oakdale, Bethel and Brandon churches.

Joe Odle Observes Third Anniversary At Gulfport, First

On February 19, Dr. Joe T. Odle celebrated his third anniversary as pastor of the First Church, Gulfport. On his first day, coming from the First Church, Crystal Springs, in 1947, there were 14 additions to the church. There have been few Sundays since that time in which there were no additions.

During this time the entire building has been renovated, a modern educational building has been erected and a temporary educational building has been added. Two missions are sponsored by the church, and it is expected that they shall grow into churches.

A total of 788 have been added to the membership, 221 by baptism, making a present total membership of 2275. Offerings have increased from \$22,000 in 1946 to \$85,000 in the past year. Total offerings for the three years have been \$219,561. The organizations have noted similar growth.

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Unusual Funeral

Funeral services for Jim Henry Purvis were held from Franklin Baptist Church, Madison county, March 2. The pastor, Rev. R. G. Wooton, was in charge of the services, assisted by Rev. D. W. Moulder.

An unusual feature of the funeral service was a letter written by the deceased and by his request read at the service. The letter follows:

Mr. Purvis wrote this letter before he died and asked for it to be read at his funeral.

Jim Henry Purvis, the youngest child of the long deceased John M. and Celia Ann Myers Purvis, was born near Rockbluff Baptist Church on Feb. 18, 1875. He was converted and saved in the Summer Revival at Union Baptist Church in Rankin County in 1891. Rev. J. T. Simmons used the text Jer. 8:20 "The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved."

"It was made to see myself a lost sinner and it took the death of Christ on the cross to atone for my sins. I gave my heart to Him and took Him as my Lord and Master." In 1893, he married Annie Laura Davis. To them was born eleven children. In 1905 he was licensed to preach at the Lula Baptist Church west of Flora and in 1908 he was ordained to the full gospel ministry by the Beulah Baptist Church near Magee. Rev. Dan W. Moulder was pastor at this time. In 1909 he moved back to Flora and helped organize the Franklin Baptist Church of which he was a deacon. He was Superintendent of the Sunday School for several years and also taught the Bible. He leaves his wife, Mrs. Annie Laura Purvis, four sons, Alfred H., D. T., D. W., and J. V. Purvis, all of Flora. Four daughters, Mrs. Rosa Lee Greer, Mrs. L. W. Tanner, Mrs. Billie Purvis, all of Jackson, and Mrs. Ruby Purvis of Texas. One half sister, Mrs. Myra Thompson, one half brother, Grover Purvis of Polkville. Twenty-five grandchildren and eleven great grandchildren. He fell to sleep in the arms of Jesus at 12:30 a. m. March 1, 1950.

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"CHRISTIANITY IS NOT A CODE OF ETHICS. It is not a ceremony. It is not a doctrine. Christianity is a Person. Christianity is Christ."—W. Boyd Hunt, The Sunday School Builder.

MWC BSUers Lead In Gifts To Summer Mission Work

Miss Betty Jo Shields, president of the Baptist Student Union at Mississippi Woman's College, reports that their goal of \$200 for Summer Mission Work has been surpassed by \$27.50. A total of \$1,004 has been received to date in the office of the State BSU Secretary, with Woman's College BSUers having contributed the largest single amount.

Although they have the smallest student body in the state in number, Woman's College students also led in 1949 with \$170 contributed, including contributions made by friends through the MWC BSU.

Summer Mission Work is sponsored each year by the Southwide Student Department of the Sunday School Board, and is promoted in Mississippi by BSUers on all college campuses throughout the state and by friends of BSUers. Students may be sent to serve as missionaries for the summer months to Hawaii, California, Alaska, and San Andres Islands. The only requirement is that we pay their traveling expenses. Contributions are channeled through the office of the State BSU Secretary Charles W. Horner, Box 530, Jackson.

Five will be sent from Mississippi in 1950. Only three were sent in 1949. This makes it necessary to raise almost twice as much as last year.

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MRS. BOOTH LOWREY

BLUE MOUNTAIN, Miss., March 7—Mrs. Booth Lowrey of Blue Mountain died March 3 in the home of one of her sons, Perrin H. Lowrey, at the age of 51. She was born at Lena, Miss.

As Miss Patti Lowry she graduated from Blue Mountain College in 1884 and later became the bride of Booth Lowrey, head of the physical education department of the college and nationally famed lyceum lecturer. She taught music in the college for a while and then became college librarian, which position she held for 24 years.

Funeral services were held at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon in the home of Dr. Lawrence T. Lowrey. Rev. Clifford J. Smyly, pastor of the Lowrey Memorial Baptist Church, officiated.

She is survived by two sons, Perrin H. and Lawrence T. Lowrey, of Blue Mountain, and two sisters, Miss Gertrude Lowry, Galloway, and Mrs. Claudia Fay, Newport, Ark.

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Southern Seminary Awards Five Degrees

The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary awarded degrees to five ministers today, at convocation exercises opening the spring term: Newburn V. Ragsdale, Fort Payne, Ala., and James Livingston White III, Norfolk, Va., bachelor of divinity degrees; Nelson Eugene Mandrell, Frederick, Okla., master of theology; and Robert Sidney Cooper, Washington, D. C., and Allen J. Freeman, Lake City, Fla., doctor of theology.

A total of 354 ministers are studying at the seminary this year, from 36 states and nine foreign countries, according to Dr. Ellis A. Fuller, president. Degrees will be awarded a graduating class of 178 at the annual spring commencement exercises, May 5.

WHY SOUTHERN BAPTISTS DO NOT AFFILIATE WITH THE FEDERAL COUNCIL OF CHURCHES AND DO NOT LOOK WITH FAVOR UPON UNION MOVEMENTS

(Editor's Note: We hope every reader of the Baptist Record will read this article with care. It is an excellent presentation of the Baptist position on this matter.)

(Continued from Last Week)

In support of Dr. Turner's first objection to uniting with the Federal Council on the basis of its modernistic leadership, I also call your attention to a statement on the same thought, which appeared in the Baptist Standard, the Baptist paper of Texas. "Much of the leadership in the Federal Council of Churches advocates union with such non-Christian groups as Unitarians, and unsaved Jews, both of whom reject the deity, atonement, and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. If Christ was an advocate of Union, Federal Council style, why did he not take the Pharisees and Sadducees into the Church that he organized?"

Since the leadership of the Federal Council is before our consideration, let us look here a bit further. The Council is made up of 25 denominations, consisting of 142,000 Churches and 27,000,000 members. There are 450 representatives in the governing organization, but actually an Executive Committee of 80 runs it. John T. Flynn, in his newest book "The Road Ahead," says (on pages 107 and 108), "What the political and social views of these 80 members may be I do not know. But I do know that this powerful Council issues periodicals, pamphlets, books and booklets and sends out preachers to preach the gospel, and that it is by all odds the most powerful apparatus in existence for propaganda among the Christian laity of America." And I know, moreover, and assert, that MANY OF THE MEN MOST POWERFUL IN DIRECTING ITS AFFAIRS ARE USING ITS MACHINERY TO PROMOTE THE INTEREST OF A SOCIALISTIC REVOLUTION IN AMERICA. The humble Communicants of countless thousands of little churches all over this broad land dedicated to the worship of God and the spiritual needs of their people are paying the bills for this propaganda drive. I do not believe they realize what is being done by these leaders. Flynn, calls by name, seven of the most influential members of the Committee of 80 and proves their connection with "Communist-front organizations," and their Socialistic preachments. Also in the Chapter on "The Kingdom of God," Flynn makes the strongest attack on the creed of the Federal Council of anything I have ever read. He lays the principles of Socialism along side the Federal Council Creed and points out the aneness in content.

Mrs. B. L. Parkinson, in her marvelous address delivered to the West Point Rotary Club, December 8, 1949, said, "John Bennett, a prominent leader in the Federal Council of Churches and of the World Council is quoted as saying that English Socialism is probably the best form of government today." Mrs. Parkinson further stated that "Socialism is the evil of the day. From time immemorial, aristocrats have wished to be lords; but the Socialist wants to be God. Socialism is a Trojan horse which has slipped into our homes, our schools and colleges, our churches and our government." This same John Bennett, named and labeled by Mrs. Parkinson is one of the seven reported by John T. Flynn. Some of the others named by Flynn are better known men than Bennett. No, Baptists do not follow that kind of leadership. The time is near at hand when some religious denominations need to be free to again champion the principles which went into the making of a great nation.

BAPTISTS FOR NEW TESTAMENT UNITY

Baptists are 100 percent for genuine New Testament Unity, but we want the genuine article. We do not want a "synthetic unity that can tolerate anything from Modernism to Normanism." We do not want a spiritual Munich. We do not need a unity which "substitutes bigness for power," and "mistakes appearance for reality."

Every Baptist will gladly join with every other Christian in real unity the day there is a great unprejudiced search for unity based on the New Testament as the sole authority for faith and practice.

Personally, I long for fellowship with all who love our Lord Jesus Christ devotedly, regardless of their denomination. My memory is vivid with glorious experiences of hours of fellowship with pastors and Christian friends of other denominations. I expect in the future to have a Christian fellowship with people of other faiths, people who love our Christ. There are causes which we should unite in. We should be united in our fight upon sin in its every form and I am ready to unite with every Church in such. I have in the past united with other Churches and other pastors in Crusades for Moral righteousness, to the extent of all the pulpits sounding the same alarm at the same time. Yes, a united front which awakened sleeping Christians and hurled back Satan. I am ready for some more of that kind of Cooperative effort. Have the Churches of Christ lost the courage to condemn sin, proclaim a salvation which has blood in it and to call its membership to a life of Holy living?

Little Preacherets, preaching little Sermonets have produced too many little Christianets. Little convictions grow spiritual pygmies. Instead of broadness today we need depth. We will never impress the world merely by showing our numbers. Let us show the world a better brand of Christian. Instead of letting our fence down for the world to get into the church, we need to get the world out of the Church, let Christ get in it and then "turn the world upside down for Christ."

650 Decisions Made In Youth Revival Sponsored By Nashville BSU

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BP) — More than 350 decisions for Christ were made here in a city-wide youth revival sponsored by the Baptist Student Union of Nashville in cooperation with more than 20 churches of the city. An additional 300 decisions were made in the three youth rallies and in various churches the month preceding the revival as preparation was made for its public services.

Services were held each evening at the First Baptist Church where crowds overflowed the auditorium into a number of supplementary auditoriums and class rooms where the speaker's words were heard over a public address system. More than 500 overflowed the Ryman Auditorium on the closing night and it was estimated that more than 1000 persons were turned away.

Preacher for the revival was Howard E. Butt, Jr., youthful and successful business executive of Corpus Christi, Tex. He is a graduate of Baylor University, Waco, Tex., and has done graduate work in other schools in Texas. At present he is vice-president of the H. E. Butt food stores of

BAPTIST STUDENT UNION

Box 530 — Phone 2-1600 — Jackson
CHAS W. HORNER, Secretary
BETTY PRESSON, Office Secretary

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Joe Webb, Miss. State, Chairman; Betty Jo Shields, Woman's College; Jewell Sanderson, Clarke College, and Sara Rochester, Belhaven, are the Committee that on Feb. 18 selected our Student Summer Missionaries. They selected the following to be sent out in the order named: Betty Cooper, Miss. College, to Hawaii; Maurine Sparkman, Blue Mtn., to Hawaii or California; Billy Caussey, Miss. College, to Alaska, San Andres Island, or California, and Dorothy Jean Lipham, Millsaps, and Jean Faulkner, Holmes Jr., to California. To pay the traveling expenses of these students to do Vacation Bible School and other evangelistic work in these mission fields this coming summer we have on hand a total of \$1000.00 which is enough to send only two of the five. The campaign for funds will continue indefinitely as we shall continue to pray that if it be God's will, enough money will be received in this office to send out all five. Please pray for these students and give sacrificially that they may have the opportunity to witness for Christ for which they have volunteered. . . . Pastors, Please send in your requests for Youth Revival teams soon, and, students, request your home churches to schedule a Youth Revival. So far, 26 preachers; 4 song leaders; five pianists, and six other workers have qualified for this great work. The correspondence incident thereto has been tremendous. Please pray with us that these young people will be given the opportunity to witness for Christ in revival meetings this summer. . . . State Council members, remember our next meeting is Sat., March 18, this time beginning at 1:30 p. m., BSU Office, Bapt. Bldg. . . . We are told that 19,810,000 adult whites in our Southern Bapt. territory are not enrolled in Sunday School. Is it not good reasoning to say that if we had gone after our Young People for Christ a generation ago this would not be true? Let's claim the Young People of this generation for Christ so that when they become adults they will still be loyal to Him and to His church. . . . Our lives were greatly blessed by two messages of Dr. Ellis Fuller's during the Clinton revival. . . . BSUers, be praying earnestly that Miss. Baptists will elect God's man for Exec. Sec'y. . . . This Sun., Chas. Wellborn will speak on "Nice People—or New Men" on Southwide Bapt. Hr. . . . Students, be a volunteer for Christ in some special service this Summer. . . . 38 un-saved are reported at Delta State; 67 at E. Cent. Jr.; 12 at Sunflower Jr. . . . Miss. Southern, at last report, has raised \$41 for Student Summer Missions. They hope to raise more. . . . Two recently joined the Perkinson Church from Perk. Jr. . . . Eleven Pearl River Jr. students recently presented a program on Baptist doctrines at the Poplarville Church. . . . Blue Mtn. reports \$123.50 given to the Lottie Moon Offering for Foreign Missions. . . . Dr. John Barnes, of Hattiesburg's Main St. Church, taught the book, "Worldliness Out" to the Miss. Southern BSU group recently. . . .



50, 40 & 25 Years Ago

By REV. J. L. BOYD, SR.

50 YEARS AGO

At the request of the Little River Church, Marion County, the Steen's Creek Baptist Church (Florence) ordained Rev. J. W. Steen to the full work of the gospel ministry. Pastor J. R. Johnston was assisted in the examination and services by Brethren T. J. Bailey, O. E. Welch and E. B. Steen.

40 YEARS AGO

Pastor W. S. Allen who shepherds the flock at Florence has accepted the care of the Morton Church as pastor, as addition, for two Sundays.

Mrs. G. W. Riley of Jackson is the editor of the Woman's Work Page in the Baptist Record, who is also Recording Secretary of the State W.M.U. Convention.

25 YEARS AGO

The Y.W.A. of the West Point Church has begun work in one of the colored Baptist churches with the colored girls, organizing them into a mission band.

Following an evangelistic campaign in Vicksburg with the First Church, in which the Pastor J. C. Greenoe was assisted by song leader, J. Fred Scofield, the church has had a continuous revival, receiving members at every service four months later.

Student J. W. Maddox of Mississippi College had two other students, Worley and Morgan Holiday, with him in a series of services at Short Creek Church, Yazoo County, resulting in five fine girls coming for prayer and one for membership.

"THE HOUR HAS STRUCK FOR ACTION on the part of every Baptist to unite in the most aggressive effort in evangelism ever attempted by our denomination." —C. E. Matthews, The Sunday School Builder.

-- Woman's Missionary Union --

President—Mrs. Wilma B. Sledge, Jackson; Exec. Sec'y.—Miss Edwina Robinson
Young People's Sec'y.—Miss Nell Taylor

**Calvary, Jackson, Host To W.M.U.
Convention March 28-30****HOST PASTOR****DR. HAROLD G. BASDEN**

Dr. Basden will be the speaker for the devotional period Tuesday night, using as his subject the theme of the Convention, "Christ for the World."

WOMAN'S COLLEGE OCTET will be present for the entire convention to furnish the music for the devotional periods and the closing meditation. Miss Julia Guess of the Music faculty at M.W.C. will direct the congregational singing for the Wednesday and Thursday sessions.

FULL-GRADED WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNIONS: The following Woman's Missionary Unions had each of their organizations reaching individual standards of excellence during last year:

CHARLESTON—Rev. Kermit Canterbury, Pastor; Mrs. Ned Price, President; Mrs. Kermit Canterbury, Young People's Director.

HATTIESBURG MAIN ST.—Rev. J. E. Barnes, Pastor; Mrs. H. R. McPhail, President; Mrs. E. H. Knight, Young People's Director.

JACKSON FIRST—Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, Pastor; Mrs. D. C. Simmons, President; Mrs. G. A. Carothers, Young People's Director.

McCOMB EAST—Rev. E. C. Edwards, Pastor; Mrs. A. C. Cotton, President; Mrs. E. C. Edwards, Young People's Director.

McCOMB FIRST—Rev. Wyatt Hunter, Pastor; Mrs. W. F. Jackson, President; Mrs. B. E. Morton, Young People's Director.

PASCAGOULA FIRST—Rev. Charles L. McKay, Pastor; Mrs. C. H. Gray, President; Mrs. R. G. Bilbo, Young People's Director.

TUPELO HARRISBURG—Rev. Winfred Moore, Pastor; Mrs. Doyle Smothers, President; Mrs. A. W. Price, Young People's Director.

"THE PURPOSE AND GOAL OF ALL effective Sunday school teaching is leading souls to know, to love, and to follow Jesus. The blind cannot lead the blind. If we are to bring people to Jesus we must first know him ourselves. We must know his forgiving, cleansing power in a firsthand experience of regeneration." —Allen W. Graves, The Teacher.

DEVOTIONAL SPEAKER**MRS. SADIE T. CRAWLEY**

Mrs. Crawley, Vice President of Blue Mountain College is the mother of Missionary Winston Crawley, China. Last summer she visited Winston and family in the Philippines, where many of the Missionaries to China are refuting—particularly those who were in the language school. Mrs. Crawley also had visits to China and Japan.

She will lead the devotional periods Wednesday morning and night and Thursday morning.

AT THE GATES: by F. Catharine Bryan, price \$3.75, is the life story of Matthew T. and Eliza Moring Yates, pioneer missionaries to China. Vision, wisdom, courage and persistence characterized these builders of foundations. The obstacles that would have defeated the average person were but stepping stones to these fearless missionaries.

This is a chronicle of the beginnings of Southern Baptist Missions in China. The thoughtful reader will be stimulated to a more determined witness, whatever the cost.

BR**Rankin County Plans
Four VBS Clinics**

Rankin county Baptists have planned four Bible School Clinics to be held during the month of March in four sections of the county. Dates and churches are: Brandon, March 13; Pelehattie, March 16; Steen's Creek, Florence, March 17 and Puckett, March 30. Each church is being urged to send its Sunday School superintendent and not less than one teacher—preferably three, or more. Pastors are expected, of course.

All sessions are afternoon and night with the exception of Brandon where sessions will be conducted morning and afternoon. Rev. Paul Boothe, director of Vacation Bible School work for the state, will be in charge.

The county missionary, Rev. Louis Ward Stanger, announces that the 1950 goal is a Vacation Bible School in every church. There were 17 schools in the county in 1949. With the organization of a new church in Brandon (Value) the expected number of schools would be 35.

**Gilbert To Direct
Simultaneous
Crusade In
Montgomery Co.
EIGHT REVIVALS NOW
PLANNED FOR APRIL 2-9**

Rev. Martin J. Gilbert, Secretary of the Department of Rural Church Work, will serve as crusade director of the Simultaneous Evangelistic Crusade being planned for April 2-9 in Montgomery County churches.

Revivals have already been planned in the following churches: Bethlehem, Duck Hill, Eskridge, Kilmichael, Mission, Poplar Springs, Scotland and First Church, Winona. Other churches will also join in these simultaneous evangelistic services.

The Steering Committee is made up of the following persons: general chairman, Rev. C. B. Hamlett, III; finance, Rev. W. M. Hull; publicity and radio, Hollis McNeer; Fellowship, Rev. J. M. Metts; extension and colportage, Rev. W. D. Ellingburg; census, Rev. J. N. Nolan; special rallies, Rev. J. A. Wade; prayer, Benson Box.

BR**Finds Press Giving
Increased Coverage
To Religious News**

MINNEAPOLIS—(RNS)—American newspapers are "giving increased attention to church news," the annual meeting of the National Lutheran Council was told here.

Dr. Carl E. Lund-Quist, executive secretary of public relations for the Council, also said that "most of the journals give a fair share of space to Protestant groups, with the Lutheran Church getting its proper proportion."

"The growing number of trained reporters who cover religious events on the staffs of many metropolitan newspapers," he said, "is evidence of the recognition and importance given to religion by the press."

BR**Wheeler Adopts
Full-Time Program**

Wheeler Church in Prentiss County has adopted a full-time program under the leadership of Pastor G. B. Basden. Mr. Basden does not exactly follow the Biblical plan, whereby a hometown person is said to be without honor. A native of Prentiss County, he has spent his ministerial life there. He has been the pastor of the Wheeler Church for nine years.

Recently the church completed an educational building to take care of the growing needs of this church. A parsonage was built some years ago. The Sunday School and Training Union attendance both continue to increase.

WILLIFORD HAROLD PIKES

At eventide on February 20, 1950, God gathered into His fold a gem from our midst, Williford Harold Pikes, only child of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Pikes. His deep loyalty and sincere devotion to family, church, and friends account for the host of people who mourned his passing. His life with all its goodness and sweetness, enhanced by an ever-present smile, will be a cherished memory for all and serve as a "beacon light" for others to follow toward.

Final respects were paid this noble young man from Oak Grove Baptist Church at 3:30 p. m. February 22 with interment in the church yard cemetery. He had been a faithful member at this church since early childhood, as well as an active Sunday School and Training Union member.

A choir of girls' and boys' voices, led by Frank Brooks and accompanied by Frankee Brooks sang "Near to the Heart of God" and "Tis So Sweet to Trust In Jesus" after which Rev. S. E. Sumrall gave the Scripture and Rev. N. F. Davis, Jr., prayed. His pastor, Rev. H. P. Dayton, brought a message on life, and very impressively led our thoughts to God as Creator, Provider, and Harvester of Life.

Acting as pallbearers were lifetime friends: Dillard Usry, Fred Davis, Joe Marion Gatewood, Wilbur Lee Daniels, Glenn Wilkerson, Harold Harvey, Billie Wicker, and Peyton Weems.

"We cannot say, we must not say,
That he is dead, He is just away!
With a cherry smile
And a wave of the hand
He has wandered into an unknown land
And left us dreaming how very fair
It needs must be,
Since he lingers there."

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BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

Auber J. Wilds, State Secretary — Box 530, Jackson 105, Mississippi
 Associates: W. C. Morgan, Louise Hill, Alene Johnson



Two Convention-wide Visual Aids Workshops are being planned for this year. They will include special conference and workshop periods for Training Union workers. For further information write your state Training Union secretary or the Visual Education Service, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville 3, Tennessee.

Question: About how many should be in an individual union? How many in a group?

Answer: An ideal group in the young people's or adult union is five. Six or seven could be used. The group should not be so large that every member could not have part on the program when their group has the program. A three group is ideal, so that would mean fifteen to eighteen is a splendid union. If your union is large enough to have four groups it might be better to have two unions of two groups each.

Question: What is the best way to instruct officers in their duties?

Answer: A simple and yet effective way is to have a one night Officers Clinic. This should be observed by the entire Training Union. Set aside one evening that we can give at least two hours to. Let every officer in every union attend. Have simultaneous meetings of these officers, that is have all the presidents meet in one group, all the group captains in another group, all vice presidents in another, etc. Have a capable leader for each group of officers (perhaps leaders in near-by churches) and spend the time going over the duties of the officers, and set up some plans to start the term off with.

Question: What are some objectives of the Training Union?

Answer: The first objective of the union is to deepen the spiritual life of the members. There is little you can do for a person until he begins to grow spiritually. Here are a few mentioned efforts that will contribute to the spiritual growth. Daily Bible reading, systematic giving, regular attendance upon the services of the church, prayer, participation in the Training Union programs that will lead to a larger field of activity in the church life. All of these are emphasized in the union with the idea of developing the members in effective witnesses for the Lord.

"Great" Caesar!

You have no doubt heard the above expression. In this connection we use it in a little different way. We have a letter from our friend Marvel Pearson, director at "Caesar" in Pearl River Co., and he is rejoicing over the results of the Training Union progress. Quoting him: "We have the best Training Union in Pearl River Coun-

ty. Our attendance for this new year is 202." This is a country church and we congratulate them on this fine and growing interest in the work.

A Union At Ridge In Scott

Thanks to Mrs. James Golden for a report on some good extension work in Scott County. Mrs. Golden is the secretary of the Associational Training Union, and is helping in this extension program. The Associational director enlists the aid of a union and together they go out and put on a program and then organize. The last report is on a new union at Ridge Church. Here, Mrs. Penson Gunn, Jr., was elected director; Mrs. Miller Hacker, Secretary; L. E. Goomillion, President of the Adult Union, Mrs. Penson Gunn, Jr., Young People's Counselor, and Mrs. Reginald Thrash, Story Hour Leader. We are glad to add these names to our growing list of leaders.

Derma Starts Two New Units Of Training Union

Congratulations to Derma. They have organized a Story Hour and also an adult union for young married people. The Story Hour started with 11 members and the new adult union with 14. Derma again scores! Beginning January 1, the Derma Church Training Union has promoted the Prayer Meeting Attendance Crusade, and beginning February 1, they added to this the Daily Bible Reading Crusade. They ordered 100 Bible Reading Guides, thus setting their goal of 100—other than Training Union members—daily Bible readers in the church and community. And all are busy and happy.

Blue Mountain Union Grows

Thanks to Mrs. Cleo May for a good report of the Blue Mountain Church Training Union. Among other things she says, "We are really having a good time in the work. The people are so responsible and cooperative. Our attendance is steadily increasing." A Training School is being planned for March.

Adults show large percentage over other departments in study course awards.

Compare these figures. They represent the number of study course awards issued to the different departments. In Mississippi, Adults, 898; Young People, 406; Intermediate, 456; Junior, 503; Administration, 165. Southwide: Adults, 16,356; Young People, 5,654; Intermediate, 7,276; Junior, 7,956; Administration, 2,641. You will notice that in each case the adult record is in nearly every case more than twice as many as any other department. That is of course as it should be as we have so many more adults than of any other age, but it also proves that we are in a very definite way reaching this large number of adults as they come in, receive a blessing and in turn make their contribution of time and talent.

—BR—

MAE ORA SMITH, WHO IS A MEMBER of County Line Church in Jones County, J. W. Dubose, pastor, has dedicated her life to full-time Christian service. She is an honor student at Whitfield High School, and is active in activities of both the school and the church.

SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

E. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary
 MISS CAROLYN MADISON, Elementary Secretary
 MRS. CECIL H. SMITH, Office Secretary



HERMAN L. KING

Mr. Herman L. King, superintendent of Adult work, of the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tennessee, will direct these conferences at our Mississippi Sunday School Convention, in the First Baptist Church of Greenwood, Mississippi, March 14-15.

We sincerely trust that many of our Adult workers over the state will take advantage of Mr. King's presence with us and be in these conferences.

THE LAST CALL

This is the last call for our Mississippi Sunday School Convention which meets in the First Baptist Church of Greenwood, March 14-15.

Many pastors, superintendents, other officers and teachers, and many others, should take advantage of this splendid opportunity. We have secured some of the best Sunday school talent available. If anyone desires free overnight entertainment, please write at once to Miss Patsy Cain, First Baptist Church, Greenwood, Mississippi.

THE PROGRAM

Topic for General Assembly Messages: "A Place and Part for Every One."

Tuesday, March 14

9:45 Worship and Praise—Tom L. Moak.
 10:00 A Book For Every One—Mrs. O. M. Jones.
 10:15 The Cradle Roll—Mrs. W. L. Blankinship.
 10:30 The Nursery—Mrs. Edgar Williamson.
 10:45 The Beginners—Miss Helen Young.
 11:00 Music.
 11:05 The Primaries—Mrs. B. Whitfield.
 11:20 The Juniors—Mrs. Lillian Rice.
 11:35 The Buildings and Equipment—W. A. Harrell.
 12:05 Adjourn.
 1:30 Worship and Praise—Tom L. Moak.
 1:45 The Administration—J. N. Barnette.
 2:30 Presenting Conference Leaders.
 2:40 Department Conferences.
 4:15 Adjourn.
 6:45 Department Conferences.
 7:45 General Assembly—Worship and Praise—Tom L. Moak.
 8:00 The Vacation Bible School—Homer L. Grice.
 8:40 Music.
 8:45 The Family Unit—J. N. Barnette.
 9:15 Adjourn.



MR. TOM L. MOAK

Mr. Tom L. Moak, Norfield, Mississippi, will direct the singing at our Sunday School Convention, in Greenwood, March 14-15.

This fine, talented, consecrated young man is a great worker in his church and association, and we are happy to have him lead the music at our Convention.

Wednesday, March 15

9:30 Department Conferences.
 10:45 General Assembly—Worship and Praise—Tom L. Moak.
 11:00 The Intermediates—Mrs. W. O. Benson.
 11:15 The Young People—Gainer E. Bryan, Jr.
 11:30 Music.
 11:55 Announcements.
 12:00 Adjourn.
 1:30 Worship and Praise—Tom L. Moak.
 1:45 The Extension—Mrs. Will S. McCraw.
 2:00 The Vacation Bible School—Homer L. Grice.
 2:45 The Administration—J. N. Barnette.
 3:20 Department Conferences.
 4:20 Adjourn.
 7:00 Department Conferences.
 8:00 General Assembly—Worship and Praise—Tom L. Moak.
 8:15 Announcements.
 8:25 How to Study the Bible—Ronald Q. Leavell.
 9:05 Final Adjournment.

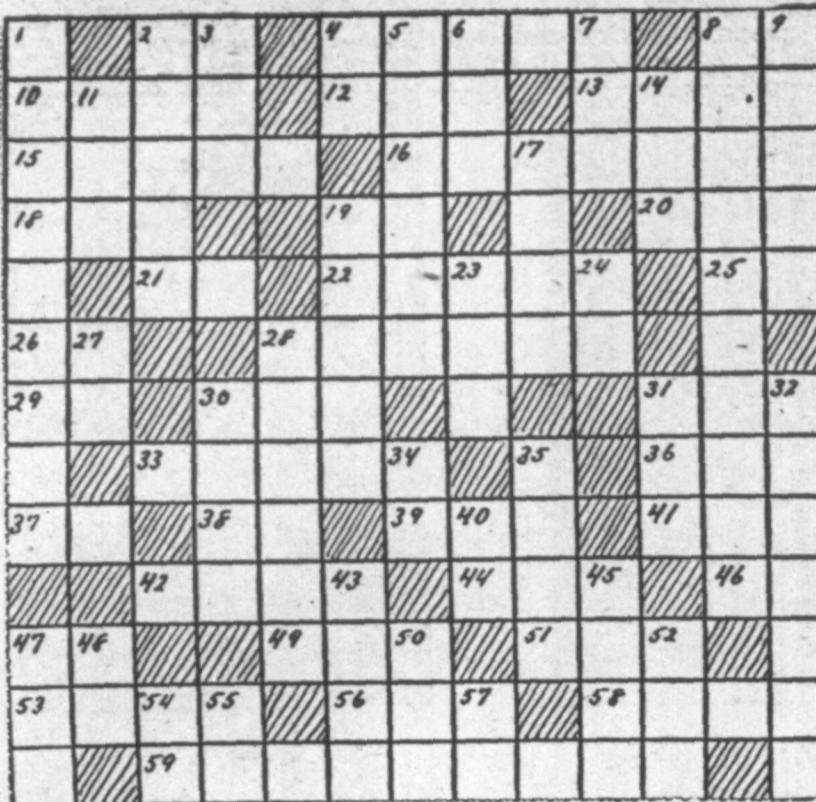
CONFERENCE LEADERS

Cradle Roll—Mrs. W. L. Blankinship.
 Nursery—Mrs. Edgar Williamson.
 Beginner—Miss Helen Young.
 Primary—Mrs. B. Whitfield.
 Junior—Mrs. Lillian Rice.
 Intermediate—Mrs. W. O. Benson.
 Young People—Gainer E. Bryan, Jr.
 Adult—Herman L. King.
 Extension—Mrs. Will S. McCraw.
 Administration—J. N. Barnette.
 Vacation Bible School—Homer L. Grice.

—BR—

LOS ANGELES—PLANS FOR THE expansion of five of seven Baptist parochial schools in this area have been approved, according to denominational officials. Steps have also been taken to open the first Baptist high school here "at the earliest possible date." Expansion of the elementary schools will be effected before the start of the September semester.

OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE



"A prophet is not without honour, save in his own country, and in his own house."—Matt. 13:57.

THE SECOND REJECTION
AT NAZARETH

Horizontal

2 "And . . . went out from thence" Mark 6:1

4 "which have been since the world . . ." Luke 1:70

8 Dialect of Eastern Assam

10 "the thirteenth day of the twelfth month, which is the month . . ." Esth. 8:12

12 A city of Benjamin I Chron. 8:12

13 Assistant

15 "And he went . . . about the villages, teaching" Mark 6:6

16 "And when the . . . day was come" Mark 6:2

18 "is written with a . . . of iron" Jer. 17:1

19 Egyptian solar deity
20 "upon the great . . . of their right foot" Ex. 29:20

21 "and stood up for . . . read" Luke 4:16

22 "whosoever shall do and . . . them" Matt. 5:19

25 North River

26 and 53 "And he could there do . . . mighty . . ." Mark 6:5

28 "What . . . is this which is given unto him" Mark 6:2

29 Topographical Engineer

30 ". . . hath done what . . . could" Mark 14:8

31 "and sitting upon an . . ." Matt. 21:5

33 "and . . . mighty works" Matt. 13:54

36 Israelite of the tribe of Asher I Chron. 7:34

37 Egyptian sun god

38 "but . . . his own country" Mark 6:4

39 "And he closed . . . book" I Chron. 4:20

41 The (F. pl.)

42 One twelfth of a foot

44 Taxi

46 Doctor of Theology

47 "the brother . . . James, and Joses, and . . . Juda, and Simon" Mark 6:3

49 Snakelike fish

51 Meadow

53 See 26 across

56 "drowsiness shall clothe a man with . . . s" Prov. 23:21

58 "For this . . . is mount Sinai in Arabia" Gal. 4:25

59 "he taught them in their . . ." Matt. 13:54

Our text is 2, 4, 21, 22, 38, 39, and 50 combined.

Vertical

1 "Is not this the . . ." Mark 6:3

2 "where David himself and his men went want to . . ." I Sam. 30:31

3 Sea eagle

4 Buyer's option



W. A. HARRELL

Mr. W. A. Harrell, Secretary of the Department of Church Architecture of the Sunday School Board, Nashville, will be at our Mississippi Baptist Sunday School Convention, in the First Church of Greenwood, March 14-15.

Mr. Harrell is giving invaluable service in the field of helping churches get the right kind of buildings. Many will be glad to have this opportunity to confer with Mr. Harrell about their church buildings.

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Sunday School Lesson

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March 12

CHURCH ORGANIZATION
AND LEADERSHIP
Acts 6:1-6; 20:17-28;
I Corinthians 12:27, 28
I. CHURCH GROWTH

Occasionally someone asks: "When was the church organized?" Personally, I think it would be appropriate to ask, "When was the big oak in the forest organized?" And the appropriate answer, "It wasn't! It grew." So also with the church. Church organization and polity was a growth, a gradual growth from that of a group of people more or less small and without officers or special functionaries up to a membership of thousands with special members to perform special work, these special members chosen under the direction of the Holy Spirit by the church and set apart to their special work by authority of the church.

As the needs of a rapidly growing body multiplied helpers were chosen to meet the needs. These helpers were not "officers" in the sense of wielders of authority over God's church, but servants of God and, under God, of the congregation.

II. THE PROBLEM AT JERUSALEM

1. Two classes of members in the church. One of these was the Greek-speaking Jews. They were Jews in blood but Greek in culture. They made up the minority group and, as minority groups usually are, they were sensitive, quick to scent an injustice and likely to spy an insult where none was intended. 2. The Hebrew-speaking Christians, the majority group who made up the backbone of the church, so to speak.

There were, of course, widows of both groups. It is said that the percentage of widows in the population was greater there and in those days than it is here in these. Many of these widows were indigent, and the church had formed the habit of supplying their needs. The Greek members came to believe that the widows of their group were being neglected by the church in the matter of dispensing the largess of the church; in other words, that they were not getting their share of the donated supplies.

The apostles were all of them of the Hebrew or Jewish faction. In order to defeat the devil in his effort to sow discord among the brethren, these apostles called the whole church into conference and asked the body to select from among their number seven good men to have charge of this matter and see that all widows were treated alike. Being asked to do this, the congregation did it, thereby settling the seat of authority in the church in the congregation.

The seven brethren selected were all of the Greek segment of the membership, thus showing the willingness of the majority group to give the minority all they could desire.

III. THE SHEPHERD HEART

Acts 20:17-28

In this passage dear old Brother Paul lays bare his heart afire with love for the people whom the Lord had given him as the fruit of his labors, and whom he might regard in a peculiar sense as his own. Knowing that he is seeing them for the last time, he is very tender with them and solicitous for them. He had gone among them from house to house and had labored among them declaring to them the whole gospel of God.

He had preached to them the fully rounded gospel and that gospel touches everything in the whole arena of life. He had not left his dear Ephesian people to

1st, Vicksburg Sees Evangelistic Effort Pay In Junior Dept. 14 Additions; 10 Professions

A wonderful experience was had in the First Baptist Church of Vicksburg, on Sunday, February 26. The day came as a climax to a month of special evangelistic effort in the Junior Department of the Sunday School where Mrs. R. L. Smith serves as Superintendent.

The Superintendent of the Department along with the teachers had been engaged in special visitation during the month of February, contacting the members of the classes who had never made a public profession of faith in Christ. Every Wednesday night after the Mid-Week Service at the church, the Pastor, D. Swan Haworth, met with the leaders of the Junior Department for special prayer concerning the work of the Department and the services held every Sunday.

During the entire month the Pastor went to the Department every Sunday morning for the opening assembly, discussing the plan of salvation. And on February 26 when a Decision Day Service was held, twenty-seven boys and girls made their public profession of faith in Christ. Several came in addition to this, rededicating their lives to the Lord Jesus.

In the regular Worship Services of the church there were fourteen additions during the day, ten of these by Baptism and four by letter.

get along as best they could, but he had led them into the doing of the will of God, and he had done this by a life which gave testimony of having been filled to overflowing with the love of the Lord, His ministry has been received from the Lord and therefore his one spring of action is obedience. His one consuming ambition is to fulfill the work given to him to do. For himself he covets nothing, he has no self-interest.

IV. THE BODY OF CHRIST

I Corinthians 12

"So also is Christ" (I Cor. 12:12). By "Christ" here Paul means the church at Corinth. Here is spiritual reality: a body of Christized people bound together by the indwelling Christ. But you do not see the indwelling Christ, because He is a spiritual reality. And spiritual realities are not seen by the physical eye. How, then, are we to have realized to us the reality of the indwelling Christ, the real Christ, the regnant Christ? Here Paul seeks to do it by tracing an analogy between the human body and a church of Christ.

The church is the body of which Christ is the head. The Spirit of the living God forms the church of people who have turned to Christ for Lordship and mastery. He has laid hold of their faith and has made them fit to be set as members of His body. He has set them in the body not only, but has bound them in place by the spirit of Himself. Being so set and so bound, they are under the control of the will of Him who set them in the body and gives the body life by His indwelling.

Even as the members of the body become weak and useless if they are not used so do the members of the body of Christ become weak and useless if they do not the will of the Head of the body. Again, the health of the whole body is maintained only if the several members perform their normal functions, which is to say that slothful, inactive, lazy members of the Body of Christ make the whole Body of Christ to be weak in the normal work of the Body.



ODELLE DAVID WALTERS

Odelle David Walters recently dedicated his life to full-time Christian service and plans to go as a missionary. He is in school at Ellenville and will enter Clarke College next term. Mr. Walters is a member of Fellowship Church in Jones County, Rev. Charles Holifield, pastor.

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Legal Decision Gives Force Of Law To Baptist Position

SB Convention Cannot "Unionize" Churches

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BP) — "The force of law was given to the Southern Baptist Convention position with reference to church union by the recent ruling of Justice Meier Steinbrink of the Brooklyn Supreme Court," declared Dr. Duke K. McCall, executive secretary of the Convention's Executive Committee.

Dr. McCall's statement followed a recent court decision by Justice Steinbrink upon the proposed merger of the Congregational Christian churches and the Evangelical and Reformed Church which would have resulted in the formation of a United Church of Christ with nearly 2,000,000 members. Merger was blocked on the ground that no action taken by the denomination as a whole "can or will affect in any manner the several Congregational churches, except in so far as individual churches shall, by independent action, unite with some new church or religious body."

"The decision was based on a definition of the policy of the Congregational churches which could be taken from Justice Steinbrink's decision as a definition of the policy of the Southern Baptist Convention," Dr. McCall said in his comment. Steinbrink said that the policy of the Congregational churches "is that system of church organization which recognizes the independence and autonomy of the local church in all matters temporal and spiritual, and the association of churches, through voluntary, independent organizations de-

vised for fellowship and cooperation is without ecclesiastical authority."

Dr. McCall further stated: "The decision of Judge Steinbrink supports the position of the Southern Baptist Convention which in 1940 replied to the invitation to join the World Council of Churches." The 1940 reply reads: "The Southern Baptist Convention is a voluntary association of Baptists for the purpose of eliciting, combining, and directing the energies of our denomination in missionary activity at home and abroad and in educational and benevolent work throughout the world. Our Convention has no ecclesiastical authority . . . the thousands of churches would disapprove of any attempted exercise of ecclesiastical authority over them."

"The legal decision," Dr. McCall concluded, "should dispel the fears of those who have been concerned lest the Southern Baptist Convention 'unionize' the churches of its fellowship by carrying them into some organic congregation of a denomination whose policy is that of the Congregational churches or the Baptist churches may unite with whomever they please, but no vote of theirs has any effect on any other congregation."

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BROTHER W. D. ELLINGBURG of Vaiden has been with us at Heart's Harbor in Louisville. Brother Ellingburg has only been saved for four years. He came out of a life of hard sin, being a stock and cattle dealer all his life. Wife and I marvelled constantly at his wonderful, comprehensive grasp of the Scriptures and his correct interpretation and apt application of Scripture. He has a fine, humble, sincere and simple approach that won the respect and deepest affection of all our people. He was with us on the radio several times.—A. D. Muse.

Capital Baptists Observe World Mission Week; Missionaries Make Goodwill Call On President

WASHINGTON, D. C.—(BP)—Three American Indians called on President Truman the other day. They were David Owl, a Cherokee missionary to Seneca Indians in New York, and Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Hancock, of Oklahoma. The occasion was a brief visit of 24 Baptist missionaries and leaders to the White House during the Washington, D. C., fifth annual World Mission Week. Included were missionaries who serve in China, Argentina, Nigeria, Burma, Japan, Belgian Congo, Hungary, and the United States. During the week they spoke to nearly 20,000 people in 175 meetings.

Dr. Edward H. Pruden, pastor of the First Baptist Church where the President attends, said in presenting the visiting missionaries to the President: "This is the fifth annual World Mission Week in which we have tried to make the people of Washington conscious that missionaries are ambassadors of goodwill to every nation. They are a powerful influence in creating that reservoir of goodwill which may prevent another world conflict."

Rev. Isamu Chiba, native Japanese pastor, told the group earlier in the week that despite the fact that 23 of the 53 Baptist church buildings in Japan were bombed during the war, membership in the Baptist churches had more than doubled since the war.

Dr. Harold B. Canning, a medical missionary in Nigeria, told the group: "Africa is jumping from the 16th to the 20th century. . . . It is no longer the 'dark continent' . . . it is explosive Africa. There is the greatest hatred for white people today that Africa has ever known. We can change this feeling if we missionaries get there first and in sufficient numbers."

The group of missionaries included Miss Lettie G. Archer, China; Rev. and Mrs. George A. Bowdler, Argentina; Dr. Harold B. Canning, Nigeria; Rev. Isamu Chiba, Japan; Rev. Charles L. Conrad, Burma; Rev. A. R. Gallimore, China; Dr. David O. Graham, China; Rev. and Mrs. Joshua Grijalva, Texas; Rev. and Mrs. Aaron Hancock, Oklahoma; Rev. Chester J. Jump, Belgian Congo; Rev. Trygve Langmo, New York; Dr. Frank Lide, China; Rev. Miguel A. Lopez, New Mexico; Dr. Lewis W. Martin, Georgia; Rev. David Owl, New York; Rev. Joseph Palmer, New York; Rev. M. W. Rankin, China; Miss Helen Schmitz, New York; Dr. and Mrs. Bela Udvarnoki, Hungary; and Rev. A. F. Ufford, China.

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Religious Tracts Available In Buses

PASADENA, Cal.—(RNS)—Invited to help themselves, Pasadena residents have been taking an average of 2,875 religious tracts each week from the city's busses.

The tracts are placed in the vehicles by the Pasadena Council of Churches. They are held in a plastic pocket attached to a car card which asks them to "Think About These Things."

Regular commercial rates are paid by the council for rental of the advertising space on the busses. The Rev. Edward Goodman, chairman of the bus card committee, said the project is good evangelism for reaching non-church members and good education for the instruction of those who are church members.

BAPTISTS KEEPING 60 MISSIONARIES IN CHINA

DALLAS—(RNS)—Southern Baptists have reduced their missionaries in Communist-occupied China by two-thirds "to a task force of sixty to test out the situation."

Dr. M. Theron Rankin of Richmond, Va., executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention Foreign Missions Board, said here that the expected opposition to the work of the remaining missionaries had not developed.

The biggest change since the Communists took over, he said, is the attitude of the Chinese themselves. Prospective Christians are afraid to have anything to do with Christian missionaries. Communist leaders, Dr. Rankin added, have publicly stated that Communism and Christianity don't mix well.

There is good reason to believe, Dr. Rankin said, that the Chinese themselves in time might absorb the Communists.

"The turgid mass of 450,000,000 persons, of whom eighty per cent are illiterate, will submit to any regime that will permit them to plant a crop and harvest it," he said. "If there is a crop failure they will change allegiance from one Chinese government to another Chinese government."

Dr. Rankin made plain that he believed the Chinese brand of Communism is only slightly different from the Moscow kind.

In time, he predicted, Mao Tsetung, Chinese Communist leader, may turn into the Chinese version of Marshal Tito, who is a Yugoslav first and a Communist second.

President Provokes Pacelli BAPTISTS URGED TO PROTEST TO THE PRESIDENT

By DR. LOUIE D. NEWTON
Pacelli (Pope Pius XII) is thoroughly provoked with President Truman and any and all others who had anything to do with Myron C. Taylor's resignation, according to dispatch from Rome, February 24, 1950, signed by C. L. Sulzberger.

"It was made clear that the Vatican was disturbed and even affronted by the manner in which Taylor's resignation was announced. There had been no hint of its imminence the last time Taylor saw the Pope. It came as an unpleasant surprise here," writes Sulzberger. One can imagine how aggravating it must have been to Pacelli to have Taylor taken out of the picture, when he had just knelt and kissed his ring! Too bad!

But read on from Brother Sulzberger: "Verbally the Holy See has let it be known to the American Government that it would refuse to allow the embassy in Rome (meaning, obviously, the U. S. Embassy) to handle Vatican affairs as well as relations with the Italian Government. It is also now absolutely plain that it (Vatican) does not wish to see another presidential personal envoy sent here, but might conceivably even prefer to have no formal diplomatic relation-

One lone tater out of ten! My goodness, how can a man be mean enough to give less?



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Indiana Baptist Skeptical On Union

INDIANAPOLIS—(RNS)—Although two congregations already have merged, Indiana Baptist leaders are skeptical over the possibility of a union of the Northern Baptist Convention and the Disciples of Christ.

Indiana Disciples leaders, on the other hand, are enthusiastic over the proposed union. Three Disciples members of the "Committee of Fifteen" which is discussing union, are from Indiana. They are Dr. Gaines M. Cook, executive secretary of the Disciples International Convention and secretary of the committee; Dr. George Buckner, Jr., editor of World Call, and Dr. Richard Lentz, of Chicago, formerly pastor of the Anderson Christian church.

But Dr. J. M. Horton, executive secretary of the Indiana Baptist Convention, says a majority of Hoosier Baptists are against the merger plan now.

ships if it cannot have a regular permanent mission accredited."

It is just too bad for Pacelli to be pestered and provoked by the President of the United States at this juncture when he is peddling indulgences to thousands of pilgrims from all over the world.

There is some indication that Pacelli may assume a more tranquil and serene mood in the dispatch from Vatican City, February 28, 1950, in which it is stated: "Pope Pius XII took a major step yesterday to facilitate acceptance of Protestants in the Roman Catholic Church. The pontifical decree was specific, however, in insisting that all such movements toward unity undertaken by the laity must be subject to ecclesiastical approval. Chief responsibility is placed upon bishops or their delegates."

Well, we'll just have to do the best we can about that.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Let us not be tempted into complacency about Taylor's successor by the pope's anger at President Truman's failure to confer with him before withdrawing Taylor and closing the Embassy at the Vatican. Anything can happen yet. Keep your letters and telegrams going to the White House, please.